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K TALKS TO ASSAD ABOUT SYRIAN JEWS

Secretary of State Henry Kissinger is understood to have inquired about the fate of the Jewish community in Syria during his talks with Syrian President Hafez Assad, American correspondents with Dr. Kissinger's party reported last night. Assad was reported to have replied that they were being well treated.

Dr. Kissinger told newsmen yesterday a letter from his office describing the plight of Syrian Jews as "an internal affair" for Syria was a mistake. He said the letter was sent to the Syrian desk at the State Department, and although it carried his stamped signature, he never saw it. As a result of the affair, Kissinger said he had directed that letters containing policy judgments pass through his hands.

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Talks with Syria said progressing

By DAVID LANDAU, Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

The Kissinger disengagement talks are now understood to be moving towards consideration of the "limited forces zones" and other technical aspects of a disengagement, since the U.S. Secretary is growing daily more confident that he can obtain agreement from both Syria and Israel on a geographic line of separation.

Dr. Kissinger perceived a marked change in President Assad's attitude at their talks last Wednesday. He was especially encouraged by the fact that the Syrian leader did not dismiss Israel's new map out of hand, but accepted it as a basis for further discussions.

The Secretary is due to fly from Israel to Syria today to receive Mr. Assad's detailed response to the new Israeli map. He is to return to Jerusalem this evening.

Well-placed sources said the Secretary was hoping to wind up the talks by the weekend, although the formal signing of an accord might come later. Dr. Kissinger must be back in Washington by Tuesday May 21 to attend a CENTO meeting. Today marks a fortnight since he began his present mission, with a meeting in Geneva with Soviet Foreign Minister Gromyko.

Flying into Tel Aviv from Cairo on Friday, a senior official aboard the Secretary's plane said the chances of an accord being reached on this trip had now risen to 52-48 in the Secretary's estimation. The official said the breakthrough — if it came — could be expected towards the middle of this week.

Previously, U.S. officials had refused to venture a higher than even forecast for success on this trip, and during the first half of last week the Secretary himself was reportedly pessimistic and contemplating the necessity of his returning to the area later in the month to try again.

There was a break in the talks over the Sabbath, with Dr. Kissinger spending most of the day relaxing in his hotel suite. The meetings resumed again last night — though without Prime Minister Meir. She had caught a chill over the weekend and was confined to her home. With Deputy Premier Yigal Allon in London, the Israeli team of ministers was whittled down to four: Messrs. Eban, Dayan, Rabin and Peres.

The sources said that arrangements for signing an accord had not yet been broadcast. There has been speculation that an accord might be signed in two phases — following the Israel-Egypt pattern. Under a first agreement — parallel to the Israel-Egypt Six Points — an exchange of PoWs would take place, and only later would the two sides sign an actual disengagement agreement.

The "limited forces zones" are expected to pose a stubborn problem in this week's negotiations-by-shuttle. Israel is insisting on a zone of some 40 km. in depth to be effectively clear of heavy artillery as well as anti-aircraft missiles. Only thus, Israel's military experts believe, would the territorial concessions which Israel is prepared to make not imperil the security of the Golan settlements. Syria so far has balked at this demand, which would place severe limitations on its freedom of military disposition almost at the suburbs of Damascus.

Informed observers feel, though, that President Assad is unlikely to deadlock the talks and foil the disengagement effort on the limited forces issue alone. Syrian refusal to disengage would gain far greater understanding and acceptance in the Arab world and elsewhere if it were grounded in opposition to the line of separation.

For this reason, apparently, Dr. Kissinger and his officials have taken care to inform the newsmen accompanying them that agreement on the line seems in the offing. Syrian objections or hesitations this week will now be construed as pertaining to the limited forces zones or to other subsidiary issues, with Mr. Assad finding it difficult to claim that his reservations in fact pertain to the line of separation.

One subject understood to have been raised at Friday afternoon's working session in Jerusalem was that of U.S. guarantees. Israel is seeking firm American commitments — not all of them necessarily public or written — to guarantee a disengagement accord with Syria.

There were certain U.S. undertakings given in connection with the Israel-Egypt disengagement. Guarantees would be much more significant and valuable in the Israel-Syria context since Israel does not contemplate any further territorial concessions on the Golan beyond the current disengagement.

Soviet intentions regarding Secretary Kissinger's disengagement efforts are still unclear. While the Secretary himself was apparently convinced by Mr. Gromyko in Cyprus that there would be no direct Soviet attempt to sabotage the negotiations, it is uncertain whether the Soviets will passively allow him to proceed with his diplomacy, or rather discreetly seek to harden the Syrian line. Analysts are divided.

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K's aides visit Golan

Jerusalem Post Staff

Two of Secretary Kissinger's senior aides visited the Golan Heights yesterday to see for themselves the strategic considerations involved in Israeli territorial concessions.

Under-Secretary of State Joseph Sisco and National Security Council member Harold Saunders visited the Heights around Kuneitra, especially the three strategic hills which Israel refuses to cede.

U.S. Spokesman Robert Anderson said they went at the invitation of Chief of Staff Aluf Mordechai Gur, who took them by helicopter and showed them round for about four hours.

On their return, the two officials are understood to have briefed the Secretary on their impressions.

RABIN GOVERNMENT SEEN THIS WEEK

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Labour Party intends that Premier-designate Yitzhak Rabin form his coalition government this week. It has scheduled a session of the party's Knesset faction and leadership bureau for Thursday to endorse his draft list of cabinet ministers. Friday is the deadline for him to report back to President Ephraim Katzir on his Cabinet-making efforts.

The Kissinger talks will slow down the party's schedule, and the Labour Central Committee session which was slated for this afternoon has been put off until Tuesday. Another reason for the postponement is the memorial ceremony at Kiryat Shmona tonight to mark the massacre. The government will be represented there by Information Minister Shimon Peres; other party leaders will also be in the Galilee town.

Tomorrow, it is planned to convene the full Alignment negotiating team prior to Thursday's Central Committee vote. The 610 Central Committee members will have before them the recommendation of the Leadership Bureau and Knesset faction to empower Mr. Rabin to form a government, whether it has the backing of 61 Knesset Members or 58 MKs only.

There will be counter-proposals for forming a national unity government with the Likud, to reconstitute a coalition with the NRP, or to leave Mrs. Meir's caretaker government until new elections are held.

The Civil Rights Movement leadership last night sent a letter to Mr. Rabin advising him they were willing to enter negotiations with him with the view of joining a coalition of 61 (the Alignment's 51 plus the three Arab and Druse MKs, and the four Independent Liberals and the CRM's three).

They also advised him they would do their best to help him form a cabinet, even if it was a minority one. They committed themselves to vote for him in the first crucial vote of confidence even if they stay outside the coalition. However, their subsequent votes would depend on each issue, they specified.

Their joining the coalition will hinge on certain changes in the coalition policy lines and agreement: their two prime conditions being a reduction by organizational merger of the number of government ministries to 14, if only in a gradual manner, and a commitment to new general elections within the year.

This CRM decision followed a meeting on Friday evening here with the Independent Liberals. The purpose of the meeting was to sound out the firmness of the ILP commitment against joining a minority government.

Last night, the ILP Knesset whip told *The Jerusalem Post* in reaction to the CRM stand: "We have an excellent chance now to show the NRP that we can manage to form a government without them. We must not miss the opportunity. Now is the time to form a government quickly and not delay it to discuss basic principles."

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NIXON WILL 'SEE IT THROUGH' DECLARES DAUGHTER JULIE

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — President Nixon's daughter Julie and her husband, David Eisenhower, yesterday held a press conference to defend Mr. Nixon over Watergate, and she said of her father: "he's stronger than ever... to see this through."

The young couple said Mr. Nixon was innocent of wrongdoing over Watergate and had no intention at all of resigning his office.

The extraordinary and unprecedented appearance by David and Julie Eisenhower before reporters and cameras in the White House Rose Garden came as the President himself was set to fly to the Middle East to continue his campaign for support against impeachment.

Asked whether her father would resign, Mrs. Eisenhower said: "he's stronger now than ever in his determination to see this thing through."

She said her father will fight the matter all the way through to an impeachment in the House of Representatives and a Senate trial, even if there was only the Senator backing him.

When David Eisenhower was asked if he could see any circumstances where the President might resign, he replied "no, absolutely not."

"I feel very strongly it would be a bad precedent for a President to resign under these circumstances in which there have been no criminal violations," she told reporters.

The family defence was staged as long-time political allies of the President fell away in their support of him. The House of Representatives Judiciary Committee weighed evidence for his impeachment, and rumour abounded here that resignation was imminent.

Stock photo of David and Julie Eisenhower (UPI)

Mr. Eisenhower, former president Dwight Eisenhower's grandson, said Mr. Nixon has always felt the constitutional method should be followed — impeachment by the House and trial by the Senate, not resignation.

He said there was no comparison between the resignation of West German Chancellor Willy Brandt after a scandal in his government and of Israeli Premier Mrs. Golda Meir after a loss of confidence in her government and the present White House scandal over Watergate.

Mr. Eisenhower said the West German and Israeli governments were parliamentary forms where leaders often fell on such matters while the U.S. system of fixed presidential terms was designed for stability.

The appearance by the couple was the first time any family member had made a formal White House presentation to defend Mr. Nixon.

Julie and her older sister, Tricia, along with Mrs. Nixon, had often spoken to reporters on Watergate, but never before at a press conference called for that purpose, with television in-

Mr. Eisenhower said the President had experienced a low-feeling state of mind after some of his close, old associates had broken with him on Watergate, but he now has bounced back and is in good spirits.

The President's refusal to produce tape recorders of White House Watergate talks sparked criticisms by some Republicans. The release last week of 1,300 pages of edited tape transcripts proved an unexpected White House bombshell.

Some critics said the manuscript showed Mr. Nixon had approved so-called "hush" money to pay Watergate defendants to withhold the full story, and others assailed the President's general demeanour during his talks with senior administration aides.

(Nixon 'Jewboy' report — page 5)

Gov't to study guards for schools

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Police Minister Shlomo Hillel told representatives of the National Association of Parents on Friday that an interministerial committee will draw up plans for the protection of schools against terrorists. The Cabinet is scheduled to consider the matter today. The director-general of the Ministry of Education and Culture, Elad Peled, told *The Jerusalem Post* he will present the subject at the meeting.

Mr. Hillel said it was not yet clear whether the guards will be policemen, civil defence wardens or others, according to Abraham Tamir, deputy chairman of the Association. Premier Golda Meir has entrusted the Police Minister with responsibility for the protection of schools.

Up to now parents and senior class pupils have been guarding some schools while others have raised money to hire guards. At Friday's meeting the parents argued that the state was responsible for the protection of their children and could not shift the burden to them. At that point Mr. Hillel said he had not thought of doing so, Mr. Tamir reported.

Mr. Hillel also said measures are to be taken to increase the number of shelters in schools, but it would take some time.

Speaking at the Engineers House earlier on Friday, Mr. Peled said that in the next three years his Ministry will need IL1,500m., at current prices, to satisfy the need for additional classes in schools and kindergartens.

The Finance Ministry in the current budget and in undertakings for the next two years had allotted only half the amount, he pointed out.

Bogota hijacker killed

BOGOTA. — A hijacker was shot dead in an airport gunbattle here yesterday as police stormed a Boeing 727 airliner seized in midair 17 hours before. At least two people were seriously wounded.

First reports said three other hijackers were captured unharmed.

The police approached the plane dressed as medical orderlies and mechanics and took control as the 92 passengers escaped through an emergency window.

The capture ended a confusing saga in which the four men, armed with pistols and grenades, took over the jet late on Friday as it took off from Preira in eastern Columbia to Bogota.

In Bogota, the hijackers let off a group of women and children and said they wanted to go to Cuba with a ransom of $320,000. The Government refused to pay but promised safe passage out of the country.

The hijackers had the plane refuelled and then set off on an apparently aimless jaunt round the country before landing once again at Bogota. *(AP, UPI, Reuter)*

Firing slackens after heavy Friday fighting

By HIRSH GOODMAN
Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

Fighting on the Golan Heights was light yesterday after Friday witnessed one of the heaviest days of firing in the area over the past few weeks. One Israeli soldier was injured as the result of a Syrian artillery bombardment on Friday afternoon. There were no other Israeli casualties, and little damage was caused.

Observers believe the slackening of fire yesterday resulted from local Syrian military considerations and did not reflect a high-level policy decision.

Fighting on Friday started shortly before 6 a.m. with the Hermon range and positions in the Bulge and along the southern Golan coming under heavy artillery, Katyusha and tank fire. At 11 a.m. four Syrian Mig-17's entered the Bulge from the north-eastern corner at very low altitude, and in a single run dropped several ineffective bombs in the area. Later in the day, at 1.15 p.m. Israeli planes attacked terrorist concentrations in southern Lebanon for over half-an-hour. According to an announcement from the army spokesman, all planes returned safely to base.

On Friday the entire area came under constant and intensive fire. Israeli positions on the Hermon range were shelled with artillery, mortars and Katyusha rockets, as were positions in the northern sector of the Bulge, the southern sector and positions west of the cease-fire lines on the southern Golan, where the Syrian also used tanks.

Israel replied in force with artillery and tanks against Syrian positions along the entire perimetre of the bulge and at the foot of the Hermon range. Spotters reported "extremely good hits" and at several places smoke could be seen rising from the areas shelled.

On Friday night several bazooka shells and light arms fire were directed at moshav Zarit on the Lebanese frontier. There were no casualties, and slight damage was caused by shrapnel to some outlying buildings. It has been ascertained that the fire — presumably from terrorists — came from over the Lebanese border, since there were no signs that the border had been crossed.

Both on Friday and yesterday Har Dov (Jebel Ros) on the Lebanese border came under fire from Lebanese territory. According to a report from Beirut, a Lebanese military official claimed the Israeli position had been shelled in retaliation for Israeli bombardments of villages in southern Lebanon.

Yesterday fighting in the north was the lightest it has been in a long time, with no Syrian shells being reported in the bulge area. Several shells, however, fell close to Ramat Hamakshimim, and in the western section of Kunetra. The Tel Farris area in the south was also shelled, but no damage was caused and there were no casualties. Israeli guns returned the fire.

Defence Minister Moshe Dayan yesterday morning visited the troops stationed on the Mt. Hermon peak. During his visit, which lasted several hours, Mr. Dayan questioned the men about local conditions.

Sudan reveals Libya plot to overthrow Numeiry

KHARTOUM (AP). — Sudan has uncovered a Libyan plot aimed at overthrowing the government here, President Ja'afar Numeiry charged yesterday.

In an interview with the Associated Press, Numeiry said the threat was being taken seriously in Sudan and that security units had been put "on the defensive."

He said he personally blamed Libyan strongman Muammar Gaddafi for interfering "in our internal affairs."

Referring to an attack on a military school in Cairo last month, which Egypt said was part of a Libyan plot to unseat the government of President Anwar Sadat, Numeiry said, "we have good information something similar is planned for the Sudan."

Numeiry said Gaddafi is paying a lot of money. We have received some material facts which proved this. We have seen where they are trained and live inside Libya."

Numeiry said no arrests had been made in the case but that the matter was still under investigation.

Relations between Libya and Sudan have deteriorated steadily in the past few years, partially because of Numeiry's refusal to join in any sort of political union with Libya.

Terrorists agree

DAMASCUS (Reuter). — Arab terrorist leaders who have been meeting since Wednesday to discuss the possible unification of their movements yesterday agreed on several fundamental issues, it was stated here last night.

Khaled Al-Fahoum, chairman of the Palestine National Council, told the Palestine News Agency Wafa that a constructive spirit prevailed at the meetings and an agreement on fundamental issues had been reached.

TITO WARNING OVER TRIESTE

LJUBLJANA (AP). — President Tito said yesterday Yugoslavs were ready to fight at a moment's notice to defend Yugoslav territory.

"The unity of our people has solidified" due to recent encroachment on Yugoslav territory, and Yugoslavs are ready to fight from the Greek border to Trieste," he said.

His mention of Trieste was taken as a warning to Italy that Yugoslavia may once again lay claim to the controversial Italian port city, if the Italians continue to lay claim to adjacent Yugoslav territory on the Istrian Peninsula.

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Bunker feted on 80th birthday in Jerusalem

Jerusalem Post Reporter

America's veteran diplomat Ellsworth Bunker was feted by Secretary of State Kissinger and his assistants at a party last night, marking Mr. Bunker's 80th birthday. The U.S. Ambassador to Israel, Kenneth Keating, hosted the celebration in the Olive Room of the King David Hotel, Jerusalem, before the U.S. officials left for another negotiating session with the Israeli side at the Prime Minister's Office.

Dr. Kissinger said in praise of Mr. Bunker: "Anyone who worked with him during the anguish of the Vietnam war knows he epitomized the kind of service that makes our country what it is."

The Secretary also read out a birthday message from President Nixon, who wrote: "You have served your country with honour and distinction during the terms of five different Presidents... your skill, energy and dedication have been an inspiration of the highest order to your fellow Americans."

Mr. Bunker serves together with Russia's Vladimir Vinogradoff, as joint chairman of the Geneva Middle East Peace Conference.

Social and Personal

President Ephraim Katzir on Friday received Rabbi Israel Miller, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations in the U.S. He also held a luncheon in honour of Michael Arnon, outgoing Government Secretary.

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The Israel National Academy of Sciences and Humanities announces a guest lecture (in English) by Professor H.C. Darby, Head, Department of Geography, University of Cambridge, on "Geography and History," on Tuesday, May 14, at 6.15 p.m. at the Academy, 43 Jabotinsky Road, Talbieh, Jerusalem. The public is invited.

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The Yiddish Culture Association invites members and guests to an evening with Shimon Dzigan in a programme of his monologues today, at 8.00 p.m. at Beit Haam, 11 Bezalel Street, Jerusalem.

DEPARTURES

Dr. Israel Goldstein, Honorary President of the Jewish National Fund of America, to the U.S., to participate in the organisation's Triennial Assembly.

Mrs. Gusti Weinberger, Vice-President of the Bnei Brit Albert Einstein English-speaking Lodge — to Europe on a lecture tour.

THE WEATHER

Forecast: Cooler and partly cloudy, with probability of local rains in northern and central Israel.
Weather synopsis: A barometric upper trough, extending from Turkey to the eastern Mediterranean, is moving eastward.

	Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min-Max.	Today's forecast
Jerusalem	73	14—17	7—18
Golan	69	16—17	5—16
Nahariya	58	17—23	11—20
Safad	59	15—18	6—16
Tiberias	39	20—26	13—24
Nazareth	50	17—20	8—18
Afula	43	18—23	12—21
Shomron	53	15—18	8—16
Tel Aviv	62	20—21	13—20
Lod	48	18—23	11—21
Jericho	42	22—28	14—26
Gaza	60	19—22	12—20
Beersheba	49	18—23	8—21
Eilat	25	23—34	19—31
Tiran	36	— 32	19—30

Labour to ask Aloni to join Cabinet

Golda clashes with party over coalition

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Labour Party Central Committee will this week formally be asked to endorse the formation of a coalition by Premier-Designate Yitzhak Rabin which will in effect exclude the National Religious Party. Labour's partners will be the Independent Liberals and the Civil Rights Movement, according to the proposal. This coalition will have 61 seats (Alignment — 51 plus its Arab and Druse MKs, ILP — 4 and CRM — 3).

The proposal will formally call for the inclusion of the NRP but as the Labour Party has decided not to compromise on the NRP's demands on "Who is a Jew," they are almost certain to refuse to join.

This recommendation was framed by Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir, who heads Rabin's coalition negotiating team, at the conclusion of a long and dramatic meeting of the Labour Knesset faction and leadership bureau at Party head offices here which ended after six hours at 3 a.m. Friday morning. A report on part of the proceedings was published in *The Post* on Friday.

The Sapir formula was adopted despite Premier Golda Meir's bitter opposition to including the CRM in another coalition. Mrs. Meir stalked out of the meeting in anger at 2 a.m. after Labour Party Secretary-General Aharon Yadlin refused to put to the vote her proposal to exclude the CRM and try to form a minority Government based on 58 votes.

Mrs. Meir said there was nothing personal in her stand (there is a mutual dislike between herself and CRM head Shulamit Aloni) but that the inclusion of the new group would shift the Government's political line sharply in a dovish direction. She added: "The present Government has many more doves than the previous one." She argued that the forum lacked the authority to alter Government policy by such a tactic and said she would insist on a full-scale political debate at the Party's Central Committee prior to any such vote.

Yadlin explained his refusal to put her motion to the vote by saying that the ILP would not join without the CRM and thus no Government could be formed. He earned the full support of Mr. Sapir and Justice Minister Haim Zadok. This brought Mrs. Meir to criticize them and deride Yadlin's radical shift of opinion on this matter in the past month.

Mrs. Meir said she hoped she would not be put in the position of being obliged to vote against a coalition agreement with the CRM. At another juncture, Mrs. Meir said she would nevertheless vote for such a coalition if party forums so decided.

Mrs. Meir was deeply offended by Yadlin's refusal to put her motion to the vote, noting this was utterly unprecedented in her party's annals. But he refused to be persuaded by her pleas in keeping with usual procedure. She then walked out in anger.

At one stage in the meeting, Mrs. Meir heckled Tel Aviv branch secretary Dov Ben-Meir when he spoke in favour of a coalition with the CRM. She cried: "If you include the CRM, then why not Rakah (New Communists). This brought veteran Shaul Avigur to rebuke her in an unprecedented fashion: "Dont bring Rakah into this." She said: "There is a great difference in political weight in a Government with the NRP and the CRM and a coalition without the NRP and with the CRM."

As Mrs. Meir banged the door closed, an embarrassed silence descended on the hot, smoke-filled conference room on the third floor of the party headquarters. The only person who spoke up in her defence was Information Minister Shimon Peres. He took Yadlin to task, saying "your conduct was unwise and quite rude. All the proposals you raised were rubbish."

Earlier Mrs. Meir had strongly opposed forming a national coalition with the Likud, decrying their current campaign against disengagement with Syria. She praised the past partnership with the Religious Zionist movement, but distinguished between that and the Likud-leaning NRP youth circle leaders Zevulun Hammer and Yehuda Ben-Meir.

Sapir also objected to a government with the Likud and criticized Chief Rabbi Goren's intransigent approach to the "Who is a Jew" issue. He produced a note from Rabbi Goren in which the Rabbi had written his consent to the compromise formula now offered by Labour, which says the Law of Return should allow for conversion "in keeping with generation-old custom."

Peres: Israel won't leave settlements

Jerusalem Post Staff

Information Minister Shimon Peres said yesterday Israel would not give up the settlements on the Golan Heights in any disengagement agreement.

"I don't see future stages in which we shall evacuate settlements," he said in an interview on the Saturday morning weekly radio newsreel. "We have no interest in playing unnecessary games of prestige, but we also have no inclination to give up places that are really important to us."

Nevertheless, he added, it was possible that "here and there, the *border will be moved a few hundred* metres closer or farther away."

The Information Minister said the Syrians for the first time appear to be discussing a troop disengagement accord, along the same lines as U.S. Secretary of State Kissinger had negotiated between Israel and Egypt.

Deputy Prime Minister Yigal Allon said on Friday he "would not be surprised" if a disengagement agreement is soon reached with Syria. He was speaking to reporters at Ben-Gurion Airport shortly before leaving for London. (See page 3).

He said it was not certain the Syrians would agree to Israel's latest proposals, "in view of the internal web of relations within the Syrian leadership." But Israel's proposals took into account Syrian pride and needs, as well as "our own security and settlement interests," he said.

Withdrawal protesters turn to mass prayer

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The hunger-strike-cum-demonstration outside the Prime Minister's home against withdrawal from the Golan Heights turned into a mass prayer meeting on Friday evening as over 1,000 Jerusalemites joined the demonstrators in Sabbath services. Police cordoned off the street to traffic, and the Jerusalem Municipality installed mobile latrines and canvas shelters.

Deputy Mayor Yehoshua Matza explained on Friday that the Municipality's concern was purely humanitarian and not politically motivated.

Groups of settlers from Golan and West Bank kibbutzim — some with their children — had joined the original hunger-strikers before the Sabbath, and they spent the day studying, praying and singing on the shaded pavement opposite the residence.

Yesterday morning a smaller congregation joined the strikers for *shaharit* — but people visited the "encampment" throughout the day to express solidarity with the demonstration. "Ttim" reports that among the visitors was NRP Knesset Member and Former Minister Zerah Warhaftig.

The original nucleus of hunger-strikers, a group of intellectuals led by author Moshe Shamir, was ordered by doctors yesterday to break their fast — but all save two, refused. They intend to end their fast today and hold a press conference to explain their opposition to withdrawal.

'AN INTEGRAL PART OF ISRAEL'

Rabin shift on Etzion bloc

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Labour Minister Yitzhak Rabin on Friday indicated a shift in position when he said the Etzion bloc should become an integral part of Israel, together with civilian settlements in Judea and Samaria.

He said this at a meeting in Tel Aviv with Etzion bloc settlers, according to a communique issued by his office.

It marked a change from a statement Mr. Rabin made several weeks ago that Etzion bloc settlers would "be able to travel on a Jordanian visa" under a future settlement. He was quoted as saying this to members of the editorial staff of "Zeraim," a publication of the Bnai Akiva religious youth movement, at a meeting they held with him some months ago at the Knesset. The quote was carried in a recent issue of the "Zeraim."

Mr. Rabin told the settlers on Friday that, although the Government is free to enter negotiations for peace with Jordan, taking authorized decisions at any phase in such negotiations, it would not sign any agreement calling for concessions regarding any portion of Judea or Samaria without bringing the issue before the nation, by means of new elections — should any faction taking part in the coalition demand this.

Emphasizing that this represented the Government's present stand, Mr. Rabin pointed out that it was also his own view.

In reply to a question regarding continued settlement, the Minister said that according to the Government's basic guidelines, further settlement would be carried out in accordance with decisions taken by the Government.

Bomb hoax at B-G Airport

B-G AIRPORT. — Security men searched the terminal here Friday morning following an anonymous phone-call reporting that a bomb had been placed in the building. *(Itim)*

TOP 3 SOCCER TEAMS DRAW

Netanya still 5 points clear

By PAUL KOHN
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The top three clubs in the National League all drew yesterday leaving Netanya Maccabi five points clear of Tel Aviv Maccabi, Kfar Saba Hapoel and Jerusalem Betar, with only five matches to play until the end of the season.

Netanya was held by Bnei Yehuda to a 1:1 draw in Givatayim in the morning and the contenders for second place, Tel Aviv Maccabi and Kfar Saba, already knew its result as they fought a 1:1 draw. Jerusalem Betar and Petah Tikva Hapoel, both 2:1 winners yesterday, come into the race for runner-up position.

At the other end of the League, the two bottom clubs of last week, Haifa Maccabi and Tel Aviv Hapoel, both scored wins, opening up the struggle to avoid play-offs in order to remain in the first division next season. Haifa Maccabi, with 17 points, now trails Hakoah and Tel Aviv Hapoel, both on the 19 point-mark.

The leaders of League "A" South, Shaarayim Maccabi, were surprisingly beaten 1:0 by 13th placed Bat Yam Hapoel, and Northern Division leaders Acre Hapoel were held to a 1:1 draw in Netanya.

Two fine goals marked the game between Bnei Yehuda and Netanya Maccabi. Netanya *just held the* edge in the first half, and this was reflected by their 1:0 lead at half-time through a goal by Oded Machness in the 40th minute. Machness beat three players before cracking in a shot from 20 metres.

FOUGHT BACK

In the second half, Bnei Yehuda fought back with great determination. In the 60th minute Boaz Shulamit replaced Ehud Ben Tovim, and after eight minutes he put Bnei Yehuda level. Shulami was involved in a neat passing movement with his brother Avishay, and with his back to goal flicked the ball past goalkeeper Michael Sheinfeld.

Eighteen thousand at Bloomfield saw Kfar Saba Hapoel on top for most of the game against Tel Aviv Maccabi. Avraham Marchinsky gave Kfar Saba the lead after 24 minutes, fixing onto a pass by Israel Vogel, to beat goalie Michael Kadosh.

Tel Aviv Maccabi saved a point in the 85th minute, when Miko Bello found Vicky Peretz with a free kick, for Peretz to shoot in from 16 metres. Left winger Yitzhak Rogeg was outstanding for the visitors and Yaron Oz played a fine midfield game for Maccabi.

At the same stadium, Yehoshua Feigenbaum scored two goals for Tel Aviv Hapoel in that team's 2:0 win over an off-form Jaffa Maccabi. The Jaffa side has not won a game in the past month, and were outplayed yesterday by the Tel Avivians. Feigenbaum scored his first goal in the 10th minute by heading in a free kick taken by Hazum. In the 59th minute, Feigenbaum beat Jaffa keeper Herzl Kabilio with a free kick from 20 metres out.

Five thousand at the YMCA saw Jerusalem Betar defender Yitzhak Jano score both goals in Betar's 2:1 win over Hadera Hapoel. In the 20th minute, Avraham Szabo lifted a corner for Jano to find the Hadera net from close in. Twelve minutes later Jano repeated the exercise, with Danny Neuman taking the corner and David Ishay pushing the ball to Jano for him to beat Yoel Shoham. Hadera Hapoel continued to attack and were rewarded in the 50th minute with a goal by Shmuel Yakobovsky. Yossi Sorinov again had a fine game for Betar, and Shalom Schwarz and Yakobovsky were best for the visitors.

DRAMATIC TURN

Twelve thousand in Kiryat Haim saw dramatic turns in the Haifa derby. Haifa Hapoel started strongly and looked winners all over after Benny Alon opened the scoring in the 12th minute, with a header. Hapoel continued to call the tune throughout the first half. But after halftime, it was as if a new Haifa Maccabi took the field. They took the initiative and in the 50th minute Moshe Adler levelled the scores. Five minutes later Maccabi were in the lead through a goal by Yeshayahu Gal, netter from a 20 metres free kick. This was Haifa Maccabi's first away win of the season, and their second successive victory.

Another match with crucial bearing on events at the foot of the table was Hakoah's surprise 2:0 defeat by Jerusalem Hapoel. Arie Barashi gave Hapoel the lead after 28 minutes, after Zion Turjeman split the Hakoah defence. A minute before the end, Turjeman made it 2:0 when he exploited a misunderstanding among Hakoah defenders.

Gady Zelniker scored both Petah Tikva Hapoel's goals in their 2:1 win over Petah Tikva Maccabi. Hapoel showed as much the better side yesterday, fully deserving this win. Hapoel could have won by a much wider margin, but for many missed scoring chances. In the 31st minute Zelniker produced a fine dribble and combined movement with Gaby Rosendoren, which resulted in the first goal. Zelniker netted the second in the 55th minute. Four minutes before the end Yitzhak Mizrahi pulled a goal back for Petah Tikva Maccabi.

STANDINGS, AFTER 25 GAMES
NATIONAL LEAGUE

		Goals	Points
1.	Netanya Maccabi	30:12	35
2.	Tel Aviv Maccabi	31:14	30
3.	Kfar Saba Hapoel	27:17	30
4.	Jerusalem Betar	22:19	30
5.	Petah Tikva Hapoel	28:30	29
6.	Tel Aviv Betar	25:26	27
7.	Jaffa Maccabi	24:21	26
8.	Bnei Yehuda	15:14	25
9.	Haifa Hapoel	28:37	25
10.	Beersheba Hapoel	26:21	24
11.	Petah Tikva Maccabi	18:29	23
12.	Jerusalem Hapoel	16:23	21
13.	Hadera Hapoel	17:25	21
14.	Tel Aviv Hapoel	17:21	19
15.	Hakoah	21:32	19
16.	Haifa Maccabi	23:33	17
	LEAGUE "A" NORTH		
1.	Acre Hapoel	43:14	38
2.	Shimshon	47:17	34
3.	Ramat Gan Hapoel	38:14	34
4.	Tiberias Hapoel	30:21	32
5.	Netanya Betar	25:19	29
6.	Tirat Hacarmel Hapoel	30:27	29
7.	Safad Hapoel	36:32	28
8.	Nahariya Hapoel	28:37	28
9.	Netanya Hapoel	25:27	21
10.	Kiryat Ata Hapoel	28:25	20
11.	Herzliya Hapoel	20:25	20
12.	Nahliel Hapoel	21:31	20
13.	Nazareth Hapoel (23)	35:35	19
14.	Herzliya Maccabi	22:37	19
15.	Migdal Haemek Hapoel	17:56	18
16.	Kiryat Shmona Hapoel (23)	21:40	14
	LEAGUE "A" SOUTH		
1.	Shaarayim Maccabi	46:21	39
2.	Marmorek Hapoel	43:24	34
3.	Yahud Hapoel	48:21	31
4.	Holon Hapoel	34:23	29
5.	Lydda Hapoel	38:22	29
6.	Beer Yaacov Hapoel	31:31	26
7.	Ramle Betar	38:28	24
8.	Ramle Hapoel	23:29	24
9.	Rishon Lezion Hapoel	27:33	24
10.	Ramat Amidar Maccabi	22:22	23
11.	Dimona Hapoel	18:24	22
12.	Beit Shemesh Hapoel	32:39	22
13.	Bat Yam Hapoel	31:33	20
14.	Ness Ziona Hapoel	21:26	20
15.	Ashdod Hapoel	24:34	20
16.	Holon Maccabi	18:37	13

RESULTS:
NATIONAL LEAGUE

Bnei Yehuda 1, Netanya Maccabi 1
Tel Aviv Maccabi 1, Kfar Saba Hapoel 1
Jerusalem Betar 2, Hadera Hapoel 1
Petah Tikva Hapoel 2, Petah Tikva Maccabi 1
Beersheba Hapoel 2, Tel Aviv Betar 0
Tel Aviv Hapoel 2, Jaffa Maccabi 0
Haifa Hapoel 1, Haifa Maccabi 2
Hakoah 0, Jerusalem Hapoel 2

LEAGUE "A" NORTH

Netanya Betar 1, Kiryat Ata Hapoel 1
Tirat Hacarmel Hapoel 2, Migdal Haemek Hapoel 1
Netanya Hapoel 1, Acre Hapoel 1
Herzliya Hapoel 3, Safad Hapoel 0
Shimshon 4, Kiryat Shmona Hapoel 0
Nahliel Hapoel 2, Herzliya Hapoel 2
Ramat Gan Hapoel 1, Tiberias Hapoel 0
Nahariya Hapoel 4, Nazareth Hapoel 1

LEAGUE "A" SOUTH

Bat Yam Hapoel 1, Shaarayim Maccabi 0
Marmorek Hapoel 3, Dimona Hapoel 0
Yahud Hapoel 3, Holon Hapoel 2
Beer Yaacov Hapoel 1, Ashdod Hapoel 0
Ness Ziona 0, Beit Shemesh Hapoel 1
Ramle Hapoel 0, Rishon Lezion Hapoel 1
Lydda Hapoel 1, Ramle Betar 1
Holon Maccabi 1, Ramat Amidar Maccabi 1

RUGBY

U. shows paces in final match

By DAVID SEABERG
Special to The Jerusalem Post

Scrum-half Hammar, with a personal tally of eight points (2 tries), starred in an exciting rugby game yesterday helping Hebrew University to a 17-13 victory in their final match of the season against Holon. Fly-half Wilson of Holon shared the honours with Hammar, and his one-man effort of two tries, one conversion, and one penalty was the total Holon score.

A solo run by Wilson in the opening minutes of the game resulted in a try and conversion for Holon and set the tone for the game. Both sides played open rugby with plenty of fine running by the backs and powerhouse play by the forwards. Inspiring in Jerusalem's forward line was prop Hoffmann, who opened the scoring for Jerusalem with a classic try, converted by Judelman.

Ireland beats Scotland 1-0

LONDON (Reuter). — World Cup hopefuls Scotland sank to a 1-0 home defeat against Northern Ireland while new-look England whipped Wales 2-0 when the British soccer championship started yesterday.

Scotland suffered defeat in the rain at rainswept Hampden Park, Glasgow. The Irish, rated underdogs in the four-nation tournament, won through Tommy Cassidy's 39th minute goal.

England, in their first match since Sir Alf Ramsey was dismissed as manager, gave caretaker boss Joe Mercer a great send-off with a comfortable victory over Wales in Cardiff. Stan Bowles and Kevin Keegan scored the goals, in the 35th and 55th minutes.

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Ceremony at Red Army forest here

Thousands of Jews and Arabs yesterday attended a ceremony at the Red Army Forest near Kibbutz Ma'aleh Hahamisha in the Judean Hills, marking the victory over Nazi Germany 29 years ago.

Among the speakers was the head of the three-member Soviet delegation, Prof. Ilya Alexandrovich Khaliavitz, Deputy Rector of Moscow University.

Talks with

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moreover, as to the strength of Soviet influence upon President Assad of Syria even should they attempt to bolster his resistance to any compromise.

Some observers claim to detect Soviet machinations behind Syria's call for an immediate Arab summit conference to discuss the disengagement issue. According to this theory, the Soviets hope to line up several Arab hard-line regimes — such as Iraq and Libya — as a counterweight to the increasingly pro-American counsels of Egypt and Saudi Arabia.

On Friday night, the Secretary and Mrs. Kissinger were the dinner guests of the Defence Minister and Mrs. Moshe Dayan at their home in Zahala. The Israel Ambassador in Washington and Mrs. Simcha Dinitz were the only other guests present.

Dr. Kissinger spent yesterday resting in his suite at the King David Hotel in Jerusalem. Ambassador Robert McCloskey denied rumours the Secretary was cutting short his tour because of President Nixon's growing trouble over Watergate (see separate story). Nancy Kissinger spent a couple of hours shopping in the Old City yesterday afternoon, accompanied by Nahum Astar, director of the Foreign Ministry's official Guests Department. She bought some antiquities and Armenian artifacts, including a birthday present for Ambassador Ellsworth Bunker (accord likely page 5).

BHUTTO. — Pakistani Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto arrived in Peking yesterday on an official visit to China at the invitation of Premier Chou En-lai, a Peking broadcast said.

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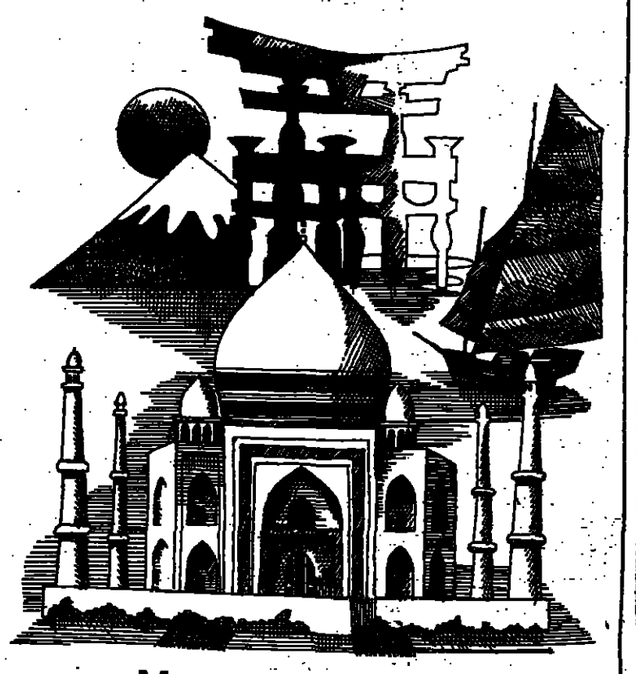
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there will be a Memorial Service at the Savyon Cemetery at 3.00 p.m. on Monday, May 13.
THE FAMILY

The remains of
MAXIMILIAN MENAHEM FRENKEL
will be brought from Venezuela for burial today, Sunday, May 12, 1974, at 2.00 p.m. to the Hof Hacarmel Old Cemetery, Haifa.
Son, David Frenkel and family

With deep sorrow we announce the sudden death in Ottawa, Canada of our beloved,
NOMI KAY
(née Horovitz)
Husband, Dr. Zacharia Kay, Ottawa
Sons, Alon, Gilead, Doron, Ottawa
Father, Izchak Horovitz and family, Jerusalem
Brother, Raphael Horovitz and family, Jerusalem
Parents-in-law, Samuel and Rose Kay, Winnipeg
Sister-in-law, Luba Cates and family, Winnipeg
The Family in Israel and Abroad.
The funeral will leave from the Sanhedria Funeral Parlour for Har Hamenuhot Cemetery, Jerusalem, at 4.30 p.m. tomorrow, Monday May 13, 1974.
A bus will be provided.

On the thirtieth day after the passing of my beloved wife
TASSIA MEYSHAN ע"נ
there will be a Memorial Service and Unveiling of the Tombstone at her grave in the Kiryat Shaul Cemetery on Tuesday, May 14, 1974 at 2.00 p.m.
Special transport will leave the home of the deceased, 39 Rehov Balfour, Tel Aviv at 1.30 p.m.
Many thanks to all those who extended their condolences in writing and verbally.
Dr Joseph Meyshan

Together with our haver Shaul, we deeply mourn the death of
KATE SANDER
The funeral will take place today, Sunday, at 3 p.m., at the kibbutz.
KIBBUTZ HAZOREA

With great sorrow we announce the death of our father and grandfather
NATHAN HEIMANN (ARCHITECT)
The funeral will leave today, Sunday, May 12, at 3.15 p.m. from the Municipal Funeral Parlour, 5 Rehov Dafna, Tel Aviv, for the Holon Cemetery.
The bereaved family
Chana Heris
Ruth Chezroni
Gad Heimann
A special bus will be at the disposal of mourners.

With deep sorrow we announce the untimely death of our beloved husband and father
ANDREY KESSLER
The funeral will leave the Sanhedria Funeral Parlour in Jerusalem for Har Hamenuhot today, Sunday, May 12, 1974, at 2.00 p.m.
His wife, children and family

The traditional haircuts for three-year-old boys on Lag B'Omer were given in Meron on Thursday. The Lag B'Omer activities at Meron reached their peak on Thursday night, when 12,000 persons joined the ecstatic dancing near the site of Rabbi Shimon Bar Yohai's grave. (Hanaya Herman)

LAG B'OMER IN MOSCOW

KGB bullies U.S. and Soviet Jews, bars them from picnic area

MOSCOW (UPI). — Ten American Jews said yesterday they were shocked and amazed over a confrontation with Soviet police, who physically prevented them from going to a picnic area with a group of Russian Jews.

The Americans were with about 70 Soviet Jews on Friday, when police forced them to get off a public bus heading toward the country.

The Russian Jews got off the bus as well. Both Americans and Soviets said they were shoved and harassed by 150 security police when they went to a nearby muddy field and went ahead with their picnic anyway.

The Jews said they were well within the 40 kms. limit, beyond which foreigners are not allowed to go without a permit.

The Americans said a solid line of police barred them from continuing by foot when their bus was stopped on the Kaluga Highway. Police kept asking for their passports and manhandled some of the Americans.

Mrs. Michael M. Krop said that when the Jews trekked down a muddy path to the field, "hundreds upon hundreds of police followed us and surrounded us."

The Americans, members of a charter group of Florida dentists and their wives, said they met the Russian Jews through friends, with whom they had been corresponding.

Dr. Laurence I. Brant of Miami said: "We reached a clearing about 50 metres around. Believe it or not, even though the police were all around us, and a woman plonked herself in our midst with a loud radio, the picnic went on."

Dr. Robert J. Blank of Hollywood, Florida, said "most of the Jews had children with them. There were no placards. In no way was this a demonstration. We just wanted to have some fun with friends."

Blank's wife, Diane, said: "Police surrounded us completely. Everywhere we looked they were there. They made sure they got a picture of everyone at the picnic, and some men were using videotape machines as well."

Mrs. Krop said a policeman took her camera but that four Jews wrestled it back. She said police tailed the Americans across Moscow right back to their hotel rooms.

"The police persisted in stopping me and holding on to me and demanding to see my passport over and over again," Mrs. Brant said. "It was just unbelievable."

Mrs. Krop's husband said: "We had heard stories such as this and really did not believe them. We thought they were exaggerations and perhaps fabrications. But the impression I got is that this happens all the time."

UN HEARS PLIGHT OF JEWS IN IRAQ, SYRIA AND USSR

UNITED STATES (JTA). — Ambassador Ya'acov Doron on Friday denounced the governments of Syria and Iraq for their treatment of their Jewish minorities and accused the Soviet Union of applying new restrictions on Russian Jews seeking to emigrate.

Doron spoke as an observer at a session of the Economic and Social Council on human rights questions. Reviewing the problems of the Jewish community of Syria, which he said now totalled about 4,500 persons, he said they had been for many years "the victim of humiliating persecution and oppression in every sphere of life, including discriminatory restrictions, arbitrary arrests, tortures and even mysterious murders."

He cited as among the principal restrictions on Syrian Jews, "the absolute prohibition" on leaving Syria, "limitation of internal travel of Jews to a radius of four kilometres from their homes, the refusal to allow Jews to have telephones, the existence of special mail censorship of letters written by Jews and a 10 p.m. curfew of Jews." He said the list of repressive measures "goes on through the economic, cultural, professional, religious and community spheres and leaves most of the Jews of Syria in conditions which place their very survival in jeopardy."

He then cited the case of the rape and murder of four Jewish girls, the handing over of the corpses of two more young Jews to the Damascus Jewish community and a report that 11 Jewish women were arrested in Aleppo in March and were taken to Damascus where they were tortured to obtain information on relatives who had escaped from Syria.

Doron said the 400 remnants of the Iraq Jewish community, in existence for more than 2,500 years, "live in a state of despair," victims of a "continuous chain of terror, brutal persecution, arbitrary arrests and abductions and even murder in broad daylight in the streets, at their places of work and in their homes."

Doron charged that in September, 1972, Iraq plainclothes police and security forces "started picking up Jewish men and women from their homes and from their places of business." During the next seven months, he said, a total of 18 Jews, including three women, were abducted and have not been heard from since. "Their fate is unknown," Doron said. "The authorities have not yet divulged information about their whereabouts and there are indications that they have perished in jail."

He then cited the machinegun murders in April 1973 of five members of the family of Reuven Kashkush, including the father, wife, two sons and a daughter, in their home at midday. Doron said the government of Iraq "must at last show some elementary decency" by providing the next of kin of the Iraqi Jews with "an unequivocal answer" as to their fate, and to provide information on the whereabouts of the bodies of the Kashkush family "and others who have perished," so they can "at least be brought to proper burial."

He said the only salvation for both the Jews of Syria and Iraq was for them to be allowed to leave those countries to rejoin their relatives "in peace and freedom."

Doron then reviewed the problems of Russian Jews seeking exit visas. He said there were currently "at least" some 1,500 prominent Soviet Jews whose applications for exit visas for Israel have been continually rejected and the applications subjected to repeated harassment.

He said the Soviet officials do not stop at rejecting the applications for visas and harassing the applicant through arbitrary arrest. This is usually followed by dismissal of the applicants from their jobs and, "once out of work, they are charged with 'parasitism'," Doron declared.

He called "most distressing" the problem of some 40 Jewish prisoners "whose only offence" was their "ardent desire to return to their ancestral homeland by exercising their basic human right to leave the Soviet Union."

He described as the latest Soviet bureaucratic "invention" the "disappearance" from their offices of the regular staff of the department of visas and registrations (Ovir). He said this forces Jews to wait for weeks and sometimes for months simply for the chance to present their requests.

He said that in Kishinev only one Ovir official was on duty in April, charged with the task of dealing with exit requests from more than 1,800 families. He said the Soviets were "deliberately" delaying presentation of applications for exit visas and then claiming that "fewer Jews are now applying for immigration."

He said that there had been "a substantial decrease in the number of exit permits granted in the months of January, February and March of this year" and that some 120,000 applicants were now waiting for their visas. In recent months, he said, there has been a cut in even the "meagre number" of exit permits granted to Jews with university degrees or professional skills.

CORRECTION

The Dance News column in Friday's paper was by Dora Sowden, and not as printed.

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Wage bargaining delays checks on inflation

Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

TEL AVIV. — The government has not applied fiscal measures for checking inflation in order not to upset the wage bargaining now on, Mr. Arnon Gafni, head of the Treasury's Budget Division, said at a public discussion of economic policy at Tel Aviv University on Thursday.

Should wage increases exceed the moderate limits envisaged by government planners, more taxes may well follow, e.g. another hike in the import surcharge or eventual introduction of the added value tax, he said. The government is bent upon arresting the advance of inflation in the second half of this year, though it would like to avoid drastic action in order to give the public time to adjust itself to the price tax increases.

Mr. Gafni warned, however, that there was no likelihood of achieving a balanced budget this year. At best, the IL1,500m. in excess expenditure may be reduced by one tenth. But already urgent new projects requiring much bigger spending are accumulating. Thus programmes are being drafted for building of shelters and other civil defence projects to the tune of at least IL1,000m., of which only IL200m. were included in the budget.

Moslem sites in 'bulge' repaired

By YOEL DAR
Jerusalem Post Reporter

KUNEITRA. — Moslem and Druse places of worship and burial sites in the Israeli-held bulge in Syria have been cleaned and repaired.

Teams of soldiers visited every abandoned Syrian village in the area to make a list of all shrines and cemeteries in need of repair. The sites were then cleaned, and war damaged buildings were repaired. Signs were posted forbidding entry to unauthorized persons.

Only the mosque of Marat El Jann could not be repaired, because of Syrian shelling and the consequent danger to the work crews. A Moslem guard was installed at the mosque of Khan El Aranaba, an abandoned Syrian village.

Arson attempt at 'Hatzoofe'

TEL AVIV. — An attempt to set fire to the offices of the Hatzofe newspaper was foiled early Friday morning.

Press workers arrived at the building at about 5.00 a.m. and noticed that their locker room had been set alight. They managed to put out the fire before any serious damage was caused.

Police investigating the incident found that the window to the locker-room, on the ground floor, had been smashed and kerosene poured into the window-frame and into the room. Smashed kerosene bottles were found near the building. *(Itim)*

UK vandals smash Jewish tombstones

LONDON (JTA). — Sixty Jewish tombstones at Edmonton Cemetery, in North London, were smashed by vandals last week. The vandals also set fire to a waiting room, by igniting pages torn from prayer books.

AKIM, THE ISRAEL Association for Rehabilitation of the Mentally Handicapped, raised some IL700,000 in its door-to-door campaign this year, an 8 per cent rise over last year. More than 35,000 volunteers participated in the campaign.

Meshel — delays won't gain anything

'Sign wage accords soon'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Histadrut Secretary-General Yeruham Meshel said on Friday all wage agreements should be concluded within a week. "No union stands a chance of gaining more by delaying the signing of agreements," Mr. Meshel told the Beit Brenner club of senior trade unionists here on Friday.

The speedy conclusion of labour contracts was necessary because it was part of a general campaign to stem inflation. "We have reached the danger line in price increases. If nothing drastic is done, we are up for a wild race between prices, wages and taxes," he said.

The Histadrut would oppose a new compulsory or voluntary loan. "We have the formal promise of the Minister of Finance that no taxes would be imposed this year if wages are stable. But we must fulfil our part of the bargain," he said. But he warned manufacturers that they, too, must keep prices fixed, absorbing part of the expenses caused by rises in the cost of raw materials.

"We must live within our means," the Secretary-General added. "There is no harm in receiving foreign guests with the modesty that becomes our economic situation." He was referring to press reports on the lavishness in receiving Mrs. Kissinger last week.

The alternative to reasonable action is social upheaval, Mr. Meshel said.

Representatives of the Manufacturers Association on Friday informed trade union leaders that if wage agreements are not signed shortly, the employers will not agree to make the contracts retroactive to April 1, when the old contracts expired.

Meshel at Friday's meeting of union leaders. (Freidin)

'NO SHORTAGES THIS YEAR'

Egg farmers want hike

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Poultry farmers are demanding a pay hike of three agorot per egg from the Government. The farmers claim operating costs have risen.

The director of the Egg and Poultry Board, David Gerstein, told a meeting of the board here on Wednesday the price to the farmer should be raised from 26 agorot per egg to 29 agorot per egg.

He emphasized that the yearly production of eggs exceeds 1,000 million eggs, and if the Government does not compensate the farmers soon, they will suffer a large deficit.

Mr. Gerstein said there would not be an egg shortage this year. There are already more than 40 million eggs in cold storage, and by the end of the summer, the number should increase to at least 60 million. These eggs will be sold during the winter months, when the hens lay fewer eggs.

The goose farmers, whose produce is mainly for export, say they are losing money because of high operating costs and changes in the rate of the French franc. The farmers exported IL12m. last year.

Mr. Gerstein said that, according to Agriculture Ministry economists, goose farming can again become profitable, if the farmers receive an increase from the present IL5.87 to IL7 per export dollar. He said deficits had previously been covered by a special fund, which is now depleted.

About 600 families are making a living from goose farming, he added

Mr. Gerstein also recommended that poultry farmers receive an increase from the current minimum price of IL4.50 per kilo.

BOMB AT REPORTER'S HOME—TWO HELD

TEL AVIV. — Two men were remanded for seven days by the Magistrate's Court here on Friday on suspicion of setting off a bomb outside the flat of sports writer Avraham Tabak, of "Ma'ariv," last Thursday morning.

Police said four witnesses had pointed to the involvement of the first suspect, David Govlil. The second suspect, Eliahu Pelah, had allegedly admitted planning to pay a bribe to fix a football game. Tabak had written earlier last week of an attempt to fix a League A game between Bat Yam Hapoel and Beer Ya'acov Hapoel.

Police said both suspects lived in Beer Ya'acov and that Pelah was an army employee who had access to explosives. *(Itim)*

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Allon in London, to meet Wilson

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — Deputy Prime Minister Yigal Allon arrived here Friday for a week-long unofficial visit to attend his daughter's wedding. He will also meet Prime Minister Harold Wilson and speak at memorial meetings for the late Richard Crossman.

Mr. Allon's daughter Goni will on Tuesday marry Doron Kosonogi, son of a prominent Israeli painter, who is in London training as a hotel manager.

The ceremony will be held at the West London synagogue, the principal synagogue of the Reform movement in Britain. Rabbi Hugo Gryn, senior minister at the synagogue, will officiate at the ceremony.

In addition to addressing two memorial meetings for Crossman, Allon will also deliver a lecture to a closed meeting of the International Institute for Strategic Studies. During the week he will meet with the leaders of the Joint Israel Appeal fund-raising organization, but has not scheduled any meetings with aliya groups.

'Providence' won the war: Goren

Israel's military victory in the Yom Kippur war was due to the Hand of Providence, Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren told a mass rally of French Jews in Paris last Thursday night.

Rabbi Goren, who is visiting France as guest of the Jewish community there, said he grieved for the thousands of men who were killed and wounded in the war, but from the military point of view "this was one of the Jewish people's greatest victories."

He said the victory clearly proved that the "Hand of Providence" had intervened, and that "we have entered the stage of the third Redemption, from which there is no retreat."

Disabled vets in row at airport

B.-G. AIRPORT. — Police were called in to restore order on Thursday, after a group of 30 disabled war veterans were prevented from passing through Customs with some dutiable gifts.

The veterans had been the guests of the Jewish community in Milan, and they returned with expensive gifts including stereo sets, tape recorders and TV sets. Tempers flared when the Customs officials, acting on standing orders, impounded the gifts until duty is paid.

One of the group, who had both legs missing, was accidently pushed over and began to cry. Shocked Customs officials stood by as hundreds of onlookers — including many tourists who did not understand what was going on watched.

After airport police were called in to restore order, the group agreed to leave the articles with Customs, until the matter is cleared up. *(Itim)*

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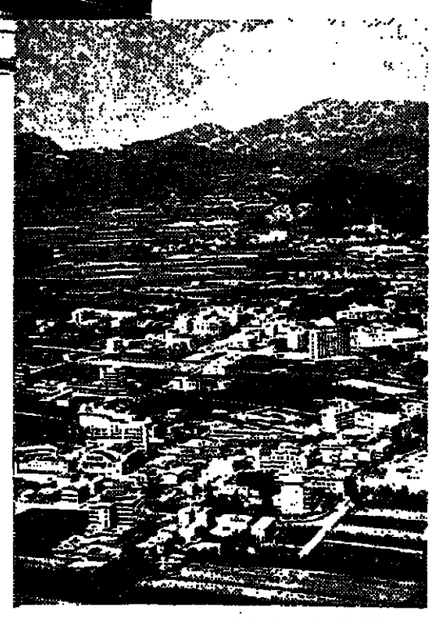

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No independence for Mozambique; junta inquiry on 'massacres'

LOURENCO MARQUES, Mozambique. — Portugal will continue to prosecute the 10-year-old war against black guerrillas in Mozambique and does not plan to hand the East African territory independence, a visiting junta leader from Lisbon said yesterday.

In Lisbon, a spokesman for the junta yesterday promised an inquiry into new allegations of a massacre of Africans in Mozambique.

Gen. Francisco de Costa Gomes, the junta's number two man, on a flying visit to Mozambique after shaking up the military leadership in Portugal's West African colony of Angola, told a news conference Mozambique could expect autonomy but only under the Portuguese flag in a federation.

"Independence for Mozambique is impossible now, but we invite all groups, Communists, Socialists, Frelimo (Mozambique liberation front), everyone, to come into the open to begin legal political activity to plan Mozambique's future," the general said.

Asked whether the war in northern Mozambique would continue against an estimated 7,000 Communist-armed Frelimo guerrillas who already claim to rule 200,000 civilians, Gomes said, "yes."

Diplomats interpreted the general's remarks as an attempt to *reassure the 200,000 white settlers* their future was secure. The April 25 coup in Lisbon has been followed by demonstrations by militant whites against a sell-out to the territory's eight million blacks.

Today Gomes flies to the northern army headquarters at Nampula *for a first-hand inspection* of the battle areas with fellow junta member and formerly Mozambique's Air Force chief Gen. Diogi Neto and Mozambique's Commander-in-Chief Gen. Bastas Machado.

Gomes gave no date for proposed elections, nor how they would be conducted. But he said they would be held under the "same conditions laid down by the junta for elections in Portugal." He appealed to all groups "right and left" to collaborate. When he arrived on Friday Gomes told newsmen "the Portuguese people are firmly decided in their support of their overseas brothers."

The junta in Lisbon promised to open inquiries into fresh allegations that Africans were massacred by Portuguese troops in Mozambique, and into the part played by the Salazar regime's hated political police in the 1965 assassination of opposition leader Humberto Delgado.

The junta spokesman, Major Jose Sanches Osorio, gave the pledge at a press conference shortly after Hans Janitschek, General Secretary of the Socialist International, arrived at Lisbon airport on what was described as a visit "to breathe the air of free Portugal." On his last visit, five years ago, he was arrested and deported.

The spokesman was asked to comment on accusations by five Dutch missionaries that Portuguese troops in Mozambique massacred at least 2,000 people, tortured prisoners and burned down villages between August, 1973 and March this year.

The missionaries said they could accurately pinpoint the place near Inhaminga where a mass grave of the victims could be found.

The Lisbon junta spokesman told reporters that at present there was no evidence to confirm or deny these reports, but he said the junta "will open an inquiry and if any truth is found in the allegations, disciplinary action will be taken against those responsible."

The junta spokesman told reporters he could not identify members of the secret political police who took an active part in the 1965 assassination of General Humberto Delgado. His body and that of his secretary were found in a shallow grave near Badajoz, in Spain, just across the Portuguese border. "An inquiry will be opened into this, but not at the moment," as the junta had many other problems to deal with, he said.

But Major Osorio said the number of members of the disbanded political police being held in jail had risen to 900. The secret police is believed to have numbered about 3,000, and some are believed to have escaped to Spain.

The spokesman, however, described as "a fantasy" a report that the junta had concentrated troops near the Spanish border to deter any preparations for a counter-coup by members of the dissolved paramilitary Portuguese Legion.

(UPI, Reuter)

FISHERMEN. — Four skippers and 64 crew members of four Taiwanese trawlers have been jailed in Rangoon for 18 months and fined $6,000 each for poaching in Burmese waters. The trawlers were ordered confiscated. The stiff sentences were handed down on Friday.

One of the "Three Marias," Maria Theresa Herta, seen yesterday in Lisbon at Portugal's first Woman's Liberation demonstration. She was acquitted last week, together with two other Marias, on a charge of writing a pornographic book, a case that had become a cause celebre in Portugal. The poster she is holding says: "Women are a political force." (AP radiophoto)

SEVERE QUAKE SAID TO HAVE HIT CHINA

HONGKONG (UPI). — A severe earthquake rocked a densely populated region of China before dawn yesterday, a Hongkong Government spokesman said.

The spokesman said the tremor measured 7.0 on the Richter scale and was centred near the border area of Yunan and Szechwan provinces.

The shock was severe enough to be measured accurately at the U.S. National Earthquake Information Service at Boulder, Colorado. Waverly Person, a geophysicist with the Earthquake Service, said a quake of that size "is large enough to cause severe damage and deaths in populated areas," but he added: "We really can't say how hard hit the area is right now."

An earthquake in Japan last week *caused deaths, injuries and severe* landslides.

There was no immediate word on the earthquake from Peking's official New China News Agency.

Victor Louis' son sent to English school

LONDON (JTA). — "KGB man's son at a top school." Under the above heading, the "Daily Express" yesterday reported that the 12-year-old son of Soviet mystery man Victor Louis, described as "one of the KGB's shrewdest agents," has been registered and is at present in a £1,000 a year private school in Sussex.

"Young Misha," the paper commented, "has managed to evade the carefully controlled reading, writing and Karl Marx state-educational system."

Louis, who describes himself as a journalist, is married to an English woman.

Could you speak a little louder?

HOUSTON (UPI). — Heavy drinking, sexual intercourse or a combination of the two can cause sudden deafness, according to an ear specialist.

Dr. F. Blair Simmons said on Friday the activities can cause a rapid buildup of pressure in the inner ear which results in deafness.

"In a large number of cases, it clears up as suddenly as it came without seeking any treatment," Simmons said.

"Bending over, sneezing or scuba diving also can cause a sudden build up of pressure and loss of hearing," he said.

Plan for Egypt to become arms producer

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — Egypt is to become the arms production centre for most of the Arab world under a scheme being backed financially by the Arab sheikhs, according to a report by Chapman Pincher in Friday's "Daily Express."

Britain is already moving to secure a major share of the programme by offering to build factories and supply equipment and training services. So is the U.S.

The bid by Westland helicopters to set up factories in Egypt to assemble the advanced Lynx helicopter has turned out to be only a part of an ambitious arms project with political implications of immense significance, Pincher claims.

Not only will the balance of military strength be tilted decisively in favour of the Arabs against Israel in the years ahead, but the move will ensure a long-term switch from Russian to western arms.

Egypt has been selected as the centre because it has the population to provide the work force, the electric power from the Aswan Dam, and the best communications of any Arab country, especially when the Suez Canal is reopened.

British seen cutting European defence

LONDON (AP). — Britain's Labour Government in a sweeping review of military policy is pondering radical new approaches to the defence of the North Atlantic — Nato — area.

A high political source, reporting this on Friday, said one scheme under top-level study foresees replacement of big standing armies in Europe with national, or territorial, militias. These would be backed up by highly mobile American and British strike forces. Such a new military manpower system, according to top British authorities, would be needed if and when East-West troop reductions begin in Europe.

The informant said leaders of the British Government have become convinced major cuts are inevitable in Britain's own contribution to European defence. These have still to be determined in detail and discussed with fellow-members of Nato.

As the Labour Government now sees things, Britain is shouldering an unduly heavy share of the defence burden in comparison with other European allies. The source said Britain is the only European ally contributing warships to the defence of the North Atlantic. It also is making a substantial contribution to the defence of the Mediterranean.

"Britain, outside of West Germany, is the only European ally contributing men and arms to the defence of the central and northern commands of Nato.

"There simply will have to be reductions," the source said. "If we go on as we are now, by 1980 Britain will be poorer per capita than Italy and yet we are contributing more of our gross national product proportionately than the prosperous West Germans."

The defence review undertaken by the government followed Labour Party electoral commitments to slash defence spending by "hundreds of million of pounds" a year.

The Labour Government accordingly is scrutinizing every single military commitment around the globe — Hongkong, Singapore and Malta, for instance. But not much could be saved even if some of those commitments were to be cancelled or reduced. Therefore the European theatre looks like being the main setting for economies.

UK's envoys in M.E. to meet

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — British ambassadors and heads of missions serving in 20 Middle Eastern and North African countries will gather here to*morrow for a five-day seminar on* British relations in the region. The last time such a top level get-together was held at the Foreign Office was in 1966.

The diplomats will discuss British policies and "possible future changes" in the area, according to *a Foreign Office spokesman, who* stressed that no policy changes are intended to emerge from the seminar.

The British review of its policy on arms sales to the area will be discussed, as will the implications of the October War. Following the recent row over the remarks of Ambassador Ledwidge in Haifa, ambassadors to the Arab states will no doubt be seeking reassurances that they can give to the Arab governments that British policy has not become pro-Israeli with the assumption of power by the Labour Party.

TRIPLETS. — An unusually large bear gave birth to triplets in Rumania's Carpathian mountains, the East German News service ADN reported, saying such a birth is sensational. A forest ranger took the three baby bears home and raised them on a bottle until they were brought to one of two reservations for Carpathian bears and deer.

Six die in Italy as police quell prison revolt

ALESSANDRIA, Italy. — Police bullets and teargas ended a 32-*hour revolt by three prisoners in* the Alessandria jail infirmary on Friday night. Two of the rebels and four hostages died in the battle.

"We had to resort to force because we were faced with hardened criminals who would never have surrendered," Turin district attorney Reviglio Della Venaria said afterwards. "I had to make this decision because we could not let this situation go on."

Cesare Concu, serving a 24-year term for murdering his wife and raping a 70-year-old woman, began his revolt on Thursday together with convicted robbers Antonio Di Bona and Everaldo Levrero.

Using pistols apparently smuggled into the jail by visitors, they held up teachers and guards during classes in the prison school, then barricaded themselves in the infirmary bathroom with their hostages, threatening to kill them one by one unless their demands were met.

The rebels, in a typewritten message, said they were ready to die rather than go back to their cells.

A first police attempt to storm the infirmary on Thursday night failed. The prison doctor, one of the hostages, was killed in the ensuing gunbattle. Negotiations resumed. The rebels demanded a getaway van, then refused the one they were offered and demanded a minibus instead. They also said they wanted an unarmed motorcycle police escort on their way to freedom.

As hours went by, newsmen who served as go-betweens said the rebels grew more nervous and one shouted: "We are tired. We are in a hurry. We don't want to wait any more. Make up your minds and soon." The district attorney finally ordered police to storm the infirmary behind a barrage of teargas and a new gunbattle erupted.

GUARDS KILLED

The rebels shot and killed two prison guards among their hostages, police said. They said Di Bona cut the throat of another hostage, social worker Graziella Giarola Vassallo, who had entered the infirmary voluntarily in an attempt to talk the three into surrender.

Di Bona was shot by a policeman. Seven bullets hit Concu, who died later in hospital. Levrero was wounded and captured.

"It was a carnage," a carabinieri officer said.

Yesterday a public row was brewing over the bloodbath. Many newspapers criticised the police assault as a senseless waste of life.

(UPI, Reuter)

Karpov shatters Spassky's hopes for regaining world chess title

MOSCOW (UPI). — Former world chess champion Boris Spassky went into seclusion yesterday after his last hope of regaining his title from America's Bobby Fischer was shattered by a 23-year-old Leningrad student.

Spassky lost 4-1 to economics student Anatoly Karpov in their semi-final challengers play at Leningrad, with the final defeat coming on Friday night when Spassky resigned on the 35th move.

Karpov will meet fellow Leningrad player Viktor Korchnoi, 43, this autumn to determine who will *challenge. Fischer for the world* championship in June 1975.

Spassky, who was generally rated by Soviet chess experts as this country's best hope against Fischer, grimly told newsmen there would be "no interviews" after his stunning loss to Karpov.

Spassky, 37, a one-time child prodigy who began tournament play when he was 10, held the world title until his defeat by Fischer in Iceland in 1972.

Spassky, a quiet, amiable man with an aggressive style of play, went into virtual seclusion and began preparing his comeback. He won the Soviet national championship in October 1973, and last February he went on to defeat America's Robert Byrne easily in a quarter-final challengers match in *Puerto Rico.*

Karpov is expected to be a heavy favourite to defeat Korchnoi. Soviet experts unanimously rate him a brilliant player, and American master Bruce Pandolfini has been quoted as calling him "the greatest chess talent in the world."

Jerusalem Post Chess Correspondent, Eliahu Shahaf, adds:

Karpov's triumph over Spassky was surprisingly easy and was reminiscent of the way Fischer crushed Spassky two years ago in Reykjavik. The young Leningrader managed the necessary four wins in the space of only 11 encounters, befuddling Spassky with the foresight and precision of his play. Soviet chess insiders say Spassky never recovered from his defeat at Fischer's hands. Under the coaching of Semyon Furman, Karpov has gained in strength and depth at each stage of the challengers' tournament. He easily disposed of Soviet Grandmaster Lev Polugayevsky in the quarter-finals and was dazzling against Spassky, the pre-match favourite.

Here is the 11th and final game, Karpov playing the white pieces. (Queen's gambit). 1.D4 Kt:f6 2.C4 E6 3.Kt:f3 B5 4.Kte3 Be7 5.Bg5 H6 6.Bh4 0-0 7.E3 B6 8.Be2 Bb7 9.B:F6 B:F6 10.C:D E:D 11. — — 12.Be1 A6 13.A3 Ktd7 14.B4 B5 15.Kte1 C6 16.Ktd3 Kt:b6 17.A4 Bd8 18.Kte5 Be8 19.A5 Bc7 20.G3 Kte4 21.B4 Bh3 22.Be1 D:E 23.Kt3:E4 Qg6 24.Bh4 Qh7 25.Qf3 F5 26.Kte3 G6 27.Q:C6 G:E 28.Ktd5 F4 29.Be7 Qf5 30.B:C7 Ba8 31.Q:H6 Bf7 32.B:F7 K:F7 33.Q:F4 Re8 34.Qc7+ Kf8 35.Ktf4. Black resigns.

Libyan Premier to Moscow to revise relationship

BEIRUT. (AP). — Libyan Prime Minister Maj. Abdel Salam Jalloud said in an interview published yesterday his visit to the Soviet Union was of the "utmost political, ideological, economic and military importance."

He told the leftist Beirut newspaper "A-Shaab" he was going to Moscow on Tuesday to "start a dialogue aimed at rebasing Soviet-Arab relations on clearer, surer and more durable foundations."

The statement underscored a major departure from Libyan strongman Col. Muammar Gaddafi's anti-Soviet policies, indicating that Jalloud was now the man who called the policy-making shots in Libya.

Jalloud took over Gaddafi's "political and administrative functions as head of state" in April. But Libya's official information media has since sought to play down the shakeup, insisting Gaddafi remained the top man on the ruling Revolutionary Command Council.

Arab analysts also saw in Jalloud's statement an attempt by Libya to carve out a position of its own with the Soviet Union after Egypt's shift to reliance on U.S. diplomacy to settle the Middle East conflict.

"We consider the United States an enemy of the Arabs. But the Soviet Union is a friend and I shall try to persuade Kremlin leaders that Soviet-Arab friendship should be separated from the superpowers' detente," Jalloud said.

"We believe that there still is a vacuum to be filled in Soviet-Arab friendship in order to give it a clearer and more durable basis," he added.

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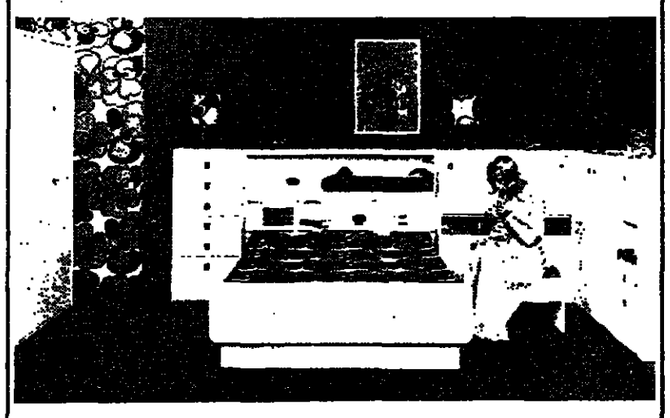

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Brandt charges 'poisonous cooks'

BERLIN (UPI). — Willy Brandt said yesterday he is not a plaster saint, but he denied that indiscretions known to an alleged East German spy caused him to resign as West German Chancellor.

In his first public appearance since he quit last Monday, he blamed Erich Honecker, first secretary of the East German Communist Party, for planting a spy in his Chancellory office. But he said this must not block an improvement in East-West relations.

Encouraged by a standing ovation at a Social Democratic meeting, Brandt called reports of indiscretions "evil slanders" spread by "poisonous cooks." "Forces are at work that want to destroy me and hit my policy and party," he told a friendly, partisan crowd of 1,000. "The poisonous cooks soon will be exposed, and it would be wise not to eat their fare.

"I am no plaster saint and never claimed to be free of human frailties. This was known even in my Berlin days. But I will not allow reprehensible methods to get the better of me, methods with which certain opponents wish to ruin me."

In a departure from his prepared speech Brandt coupled the alleged eastern agent with East German Communist leader Honecker. "Honecker may be able to help bring about the downfall of a Federal Chancellor, but he will not be allowed to cause tension in the heart of Europe," Brandt said.

Brandt attacked both eastern agitators and opponents in West Germany for the campaign against him. He accused West German opponents of starting an evil campaign of slander. "It has climbed to the point—perhaps this is not even the peak — has climbed to the unbelievable and laughable claim that for private reasons I exerted influence on the use of public funds," he said.

This was an apparent reference to reports his government allegedly paid hush money to suppress the memoirs of a female Communist spy, who fell in love with him in the 1950's.

King Hussein of Jordan and Queen Alia with the newly-born Princess Haya after the naming ceremony in Amman's Royal Palace on Friday. (AP radiophoto)

Top IRA leader seized in Belfast

BELFAST. — The British Army believes it has scored its biggest single success towards smashing the leadership of the provisional wing of the Irish Republican Army (IRA).

Security forces raided a house in Belfast's fashionable Malone area on Friday which they say was the IRA's headquarters in the city and arrested Brendan Hughes, 25, Belfast's current IRA commander.

They also seized documents, bomb-making equipment, ammunition and maps, including one believed to show future IRA bombing targets.

The arrest of Hughes, like those of several other IRA leaders rounded up recently, apparently was the result of a tipoff. This indicates the army has an informer high in IRA circles.

Army jubilation at the capture was tempered by the knowledge that in the past the IRA has managed to reorganize quickly and carry on its war aimed at forcing the British from Northern Ireland.

Hughes, known even in the IRA as a hardliner with a belief in the effectiveness of rocket and mortar attacks, is the seventh in the line of Belfast IRA commanders to be caught. IRA leaders lose their rank on arrest.

The violence continued unabated despite the army swoop. Hours later a gang of five youths, believed to be IRA gunmen, ambushed two policemen on patrol on the fringe of the Catholic Andersonstown area of Belfast.

The policemen were both shot dead from point-blank range. The gang crashed their getaway car but escaped on foot.

Police sources described the attack as retaliation for the capture of Hughes. Police said yesterday they picked up five suspects in connection with this shooting, but that two were released after questioning.

A man injured in Northern Ireland's worst bomb blast of the year died in a hospital yesterday, boosting the toll from violence to 1,016 persons killed, police said.

A police spokesman identified the victim as Francis Brennan, the 56-year-old manager of the Roman Catholic bar wrecked by a bomb in Belfast eight days ago. He was the sixth person to die from the explosion, which also injured 17 persons.

In fresh violence yesterday, a sniper firing on a British Army patrol in Londonderry's Catholic Creggan district wounded a 14-year-old girl bystander in the thigh, and in two towns incendiary bomb explosions injured nine persons, the army said.

One incendiary exploded in the women's toilet of a pub at Newtownstewart, County Tyrone, injuring three young women. Three more exploded in main street shops of the County Antrim seaside resort of Larne, injuring six persons, the army said. *(AP, UPI)*

Alsop: Syrian accord 'likely'

WASHINGTON (JTA). — Columnist Joseph Alsop wrote on Friday that a disengagement accord between Syria and Israel "is more likely than anyone realizes for several reasons." One of them, Alsop wrote, is that Secretary of State Henry Kissinger has a shrewd habit "of stressing the difficulties to be surmounted whenever he hopes to achieve something really major" and that for this reason "the reports from the negotiating front have been unduly sombre."

Another is that the Syrians lack the resources to derail Kissinger's diplomacy and, while the Soviets have the resources, they have "apparently decided they cannot promise the Syrians direct and open Soviet military support in a renewed war against Israel."

Alsop asserted that Kissinger had been able to get the Israelis to agree to evacuate the salient seized in the October War and to pull back five kms. from the 1967 cease-fire line, which would put the Israeli forces behind Kuneitra. But the Syrians want a pullback seven kms. further "and these seven kms. constitute the gap Dr. Kissinger's diplomacy must somehow bridge."

Alsop wrote that it was increasingly likely Kissinger would bridge the gap. He said Kissinger was now being treated "as an unofficial member of the Israeli Cabinet and the Egyptian Cabinet and he is also being more and more treated as a semi-member of the Syrian Cabinet."

Alsop termed "remarkable" U.S. aid appropriations totalling $550m. for Egypt, Jordan and Syria, saying that these were the fruits of Kissinger's efforts and had received "little notice" in the U.S. He said the appropriations should give an idea of the "vast extent of the transformation which may now be in the making."

Alsop raised the possibility that, if Syrian-Israeli disengagement is achieved, Egypt, "the key nation of the whole Middle East, will soon execute a decisive reversal of alliances in a final break in the long-standing ties with Moscow." If these developments take place, Alsop added, "they will be this century's most dazzling diplomatic feat."

Two other Washington columnists, Evans and Novak, claimed yesterday that while Kisinger is striving for an Arab-Israeli settlement, a move is gathering force in the U.S. Senate to make aid to Egypt dependent on the opening of the Suez Canal to shipping of all nations equally, including Israel.

The columnists said that if such an amendment denied future U.S. aid if Egypt did not pledge to allow Israeli ships to use the Canal, Egypt would never agree and that this "could sour the Washington-Cairo romance."

The columnists declared that "Israel has privately told the U.S. it will accept Egyptian agreement to permit Israeli cargoes, if not Israeli ships, through the Canal. Egyptian President Anwar Sadat has given private assurances of that, according to Evans and Novak.

Italians vote on divorce today

ROME (UPI). — Streetcleaners swept away a sea of "yes" and "no" handbills and silence descended on Italian piazzas yesterday after millions of words over an issue most other countries solved decades ago—divorce or no divorce.

Campaigning ended by law at midnight to give 37.5 million voters 24 hours' time to think it over before going to the polls in a national referendum today and tomorrow.

The Vatican, the ruling Christian Democrats and the neo-Fascist Italian Social Movement (MSI) called on voters to repeal the three-year-old divorce law that introduced divorce in Italy for the first time since Napoleon. All other parties said the law should be kept on the books.

The division cut right through Premier Mariano Rumor's government coalition. Politicians said a landslide in either direction could cause Italy's 37th government crisis in 31 years at a time of inflation and violence.

The cost of living went up 12.5 per cent in 1973 and statisticians say it may rise 30 per cent this year.

A wave of political bombings marred the referendum campaign. Common crime also has been on the rise.

"The nation is going through its most serious crisis," octogenarian Socialist leader Pietro Nenni told Romans at a joint pro-divorce rally with leaders of other parties. "We are struggling with a dizzying rise of prices, with the twin scourges of inflation and recession, with unemployment... and right when there is so much need for harmony, a backward clericalism is throwing at us a 19th-century issue, trying to split the nation over it."

Christian Democratic Party Secretary Amintore Fanfani, speaking on television against divorces, said: "We are all suffering from permissiveness, and the divorce law extends it also to the family, which so far is still largely immune from it."

Solzhenitsyn researcher to be tried today

MOSCOW (UPI). — Gavriel Superfin, a former researcher for author Alexander Solzhenitsyn, will go on trial today in Oryol, dissident sources said yesterday.

They said the trial is expected to last three days and Solzhenitsyn, now living in exile in Switzerland, may issue a statement while it is going on.

Superfin, 30, was arrested last July 3. He is accused of helping publish the chronicle of "Current Events," an underground journal suppressed by the secret police in October 1972, and with helping send abroad the prison diary of Eduard Kuznetsov, who is now serving a 15-year jail term for participation in the 1970 Leningrad hijack case.

Dissident sources said Superfin had cooperated with authorities somewhat during interrogation. But when he was called as a witness recently at the trial of dissident Viktor Khaustov, he repudiated his testimony and said it was given under pressure, the sources said.

Nixon 'Jewboy' report withdrawn from TV

NEW YORK (JTA). — CBS TV broadcast on Friday night and then withdrew a report that anti-Semitic remarks by President Nixon were among comments deleted from the transcripts of his taped Watergate conversations.

The report was made by CBS correspondent Fred Graham, who quoted an "authoritative source" otherwise not named as saying that Nixon referred to Daniel Ellsberg as a "Jewboy." Ellsberg was indicted and later acquitted on charges in connection with his making public Pentagon papers on the Vietnam war.

The report was seen and heard on the first edition of CBS evening news, transmitted to some stations on the network at 6:30 p.m. It was deleted from the second edition of the news, the one seen in New York and elsewhere at 7 p.m.

CBS officials said the report was withdrawn after White House chief of staff Alexander Haig told the network, while the show was on the air, that special Watergate prosecutor Leon Jaworksi said the tapes did not contain what Graham said they did. However, CBS said in a statement after the programme, that "Fred Graham has complete faith in his source and CBS News will follow up this story in subsequent broadcasts."

Graham said in his report that Watergate investigators had checked the tapes they had against the edited transcripts released by the White House last week. Graham said a source told CBS that some of the gaps in the transcript marked "expletive deleted" included the description of Ellsberg, and that the source also told Graham that Nixon had also called another person a "Jewboy."

Terrorists jailed by French court

PARIS (AP). — A French court has handed down sentences of five to 12 months against two Palestinians and seven Turks arrested last year with an arsenal of weapons.

The Palestinians belonged to the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine. The Turks were members of the Turkish Popular Liberation Front.

The group was arrested last December in a villa south of Paris in which weapons, explosives and ammunition were found. It was thought then that the group was planning a terrorist act in Europe.

But during the trial, magistrates discounted this possibility and sentenced the group on Friday for illegal transportation of weapons.

Guerrillas grab arms in Cyprus

NICOSIA (UPI). — Pro-*Enosis* (Union of Cyprus with Greece) guerrillas stole a large quantity of arms this week from an army training camp, a government spokesman said yesterday.

The spokesman said that more than 120 weapons were stolen. He said that the officer responsible for the camp's armoury, a lieutenant, disappeared and is being sought by the authorities.

Police have already arrested two persons in connection with the theft, including the father of the officer responsible for the armoury, the spokesman said.

He added that the government feared the Eoka B group was preparing a new campaign of violence against the Makarios Government.

Red Square shut 'for repairs'

MOSCOW (AP). — Access to Red Square and Lenin's Tomb has been shut off until next November, the Soviet press announced yesterday.

A brief back-page announcement published by Moscow newspapers said the tomb and the cobbled square in the Kremlin were being put off limits because of "repairs and construction work."

The announcement said the closing was effective from May 10 to November 1.

No progress on Europe troop cuts

VIENNA (UPI). — Stalled East-West negotiations on troop reductions resumed yesterday after a one-month recess and neither side made new proposals, a spokesman for the Western allies said.

UN report: Soviet Navy poses no threat in the Indian Ocean

UNITED NATIONS (UPI). — The presence of the Soviet Navy in the Indian Ocean posed no threat to the U.S., a U.N. report said yesterday.

"The current stage of missile technology excludes the possibility of the Soviets deploying their missile-firing submarines in the Indian Ocean with missiles targeted on the U.S.," the report said. But it said the U.S. will maintain and develop its capacity to deploy missile-firing nuclear-powered submarines in the Indian Ocean.

In particular the U.S. is expanding its facilities on the British island of Diego Garcia, under a new agreement with Britain. The report said the American Defence Department planned to extend a runway on the island for the use of B-52 strategic bombers and KC-135 refuelling aircraft.

Communication facilities on Diego Garcia, at Asmara in Ethiopia and at the North West Cape Station in Australia "makes possible periodic patrols of U.S. Polaris and Poseidon submarines into the (Indian) Ocean," the report said. It gave a detailed account of U.S. and Soviet naval deployment in the past years, and on the bases maintained by the two Super Powers and also gives similar listings for the British and French naval forces in the area.

But it maintains that only the U.S. has offensive nuclear capability in the Indian Ocean which is increasing with the buildup on Diego Garcia and the extension of the Poseidon submarine's operating range.

"It is to be noted that geographically the northern part of the Indian Ocean area (particularly the Arabian Sea) could be used by the U.S. to deploy strategic missile submarines offensively against the Soviet Union but a similar offensive use of the Indian Ocean by the Soviet Union against the U.S. is not possible at present."

But future alternative bases and patrolling patterns are possible. It is not known if the U.S. permanently stations missile submarines in the Indian Ocean (the U.S. Government maintains that it does not) but parts of the ocean may well have been used as patrol areas. "The range of existing Poseidon submarine missiles is about 2,800 nautical miles which makes the Arabian Sea the next best deployment area to the east Mediterranean Sea in its range of available targets. It is possible that the U.S. Navy intends to deploy missile submarines in the Indian Ocean more frequently in the future as vessels equipped with somewhat longer range missiles than those carried by earlier versions enter service."

According to the report, the naval deployment of the two Super Powers in March was as follows: U.S. — one aircraft carrier (90 aircraft), six destroyers or destroyer escorts, one command ship (at Bahrein) for the Middle East force, and one nuclear submarine with aircraft carrier (estimated). Soviet Union — one cruiser, three destroyers, two minesweepers, five submarines (estimated), 14 to 16 support ships (oilers, supply ships, hydrographic and oceanographic ships, etc.).

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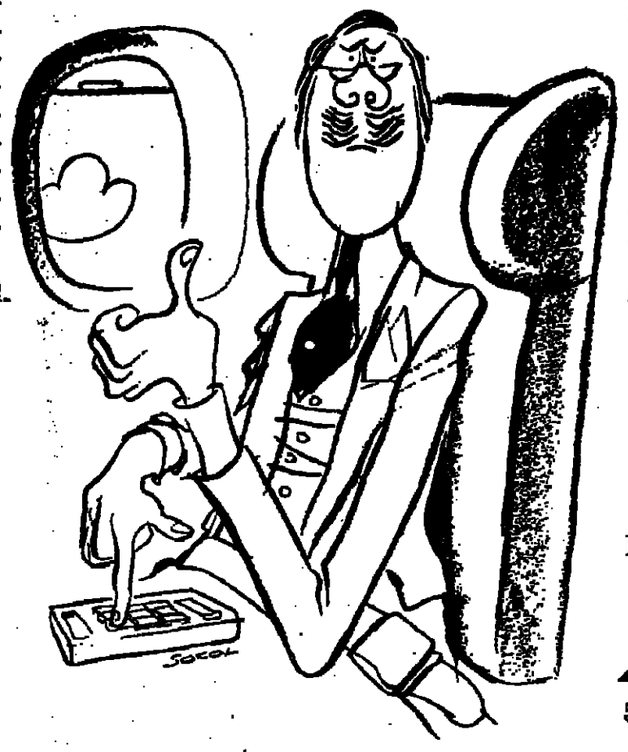

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Yuri the Jew — *and his father the KGB colonel*

By SHIMON CHOBOD

Endless are the hardships and difficulties Russian Jewry has to suffer in order to return to its homeland. The continuity of Jewish thought was disrupted, the ties between generations were torn. During the lifetime of one generation, reared under Soviet government, everything had been done to destroy Jewish self-consciousness. Jewish schools were closed. Every hint about the history and culture of the Jewish people was purged from literature. Writers who wrote in Yiddish were physically destroyed.

It seems a wonder today that young people, the children of fully assimilated parents, fearlessly proclaim their intent to fight for the right to leave for Israel, and display a remarkable courage in that struggle.

Sometimes the fate of a single family can exemplify the entire history of Russian Jewry.

...It is in the early 'thirties, soon after the setting-up of the Jewish autonomous region in Birobijan. Freight trains crawl many thousands of miles, conveying Jewish "migrants" from the central part of the Ukraine to the Soviet Far East. People are disembarked in the "taiga," in the middle of nowhere, hundreds of miles from any populated spot. Hurriedly knocked-together barracks accommodate as many as six families in a single room. Children cry out because they are cold, because they are hungry — and their parents have nothing to give them, not even a bed where they could forget their misery in sleep.

One of the KGB officers in charge of this allegedly voluntary migration is Mikhail Kuchukov. He is an Ostyak — a backward northern nationality that had no written language of its own. This however did not prevent him from making a career in the GPU (as the KGB was then called). A 17-year-old Jewish girl, lying on planks in the barracks alongside her brothers and sisters, caught his eye. The new lords are not prone to hesitate, have few moral qualms, and Kuchukov is no exception. He takes her by force, and then as an afterthought tells her he is willing to marry her. To save her family from destruction, she agrees. On her wedding-day he brings her a present — a kilo of candy.

Apparent assimilation

Years go by. Children are born, and the Kuchukovs become a family like millions of others. In 1954, the post-Stalin leadership initiate a purge in the ranks of the KGB. Lieutenant-Colonel Kuchukov survives it, but is transferred to the police. He serves for yet another 10 years, then retires.

In December, 1972, Yuri Kuchukov, son of the ex-Colonel, submitted to the OVIR in Kharkov an application to emigrate to Israel.

This came as a shock to Major Davydov, head of the Kharkov OVIR. He knew the Kuchukov family well — indeed had begun his career in the police as a lieutenant under Kuchukov's command.

Everything possible was done to dissuade Yuri, every obstacle was raised. But the young man proved adamant. He was sacked from his job, forbidden the house by his own family, and left penniless. Yet he insisted that he was a Jew — and that his place was in Israel.

Several months later, after seemingly endless applications, the Praesidium of the Supreme Soviet of the USSR decreed that his application for an exit visa had been duly received, and would be given consideration.

Next came the tortuous road travelled by many before him: how to fill the agonising wait until a decision is announced. Odd jobs, to be able to subsist. Manual labour, though Yuri is by profession an artist. Meetings with others in the same situation. The drafting of statements on behalf of Soviet Jewry, the canvassing for signatures. All this entailed risks, because the Soviet authorities mercilessly suppress what they call "Zionist activities."

This went on for a year — a year of surveillance by the KGB, a year of constant nervous tension. And then he receives notice — that his application has been refused. Reason? It is "in connection with his father's work."

I knew his father, during the time when he was still carrying on with his "work," and then later, in 1973. He is a short man, heavily built, and has habitually a sullen expression. For several hours every day, he reads excerpts from "Pravda" out aloud to his family. He had been doing that to his fellow-workers for close on 30 years. Everything contained in "Pravda" he regards as supreme wisdom, an instruction on how to live, a guidance on how to think.

The droning of this monotonous voice, with its foreign Ostyak pronunciation, reading endless official editorials, makes me shudder. What secrets were entrusted to this gross, unlettered man? None, one presumes. Yet they would have been safe with him, if only because one of the virtues most prized in the KGB is the ability to keep silent and distrust everybody, including one's nearest and dearest.

But Yuri forms a striking contrast to his father. He is tall, handsome, intellectual, a talented artist whose canvases we may one day be seeing in Israel. Yuri was the only one in his family to adopt the Jewish identity. His mother secretly sympathises, but dares not cross her husband, or defy the pressures to conform. Yuri is a lone wolf, an *enfant terrible* — causing trouble, evoking danger, generating hostility.

On his own

He is on his own, his career ruined, his home life destroyed. This is his situation at the present moment. What are the sins for which this young man is punished? What has he done to be harassed and persecuted, to be forced to live the life of a vagrant? His sin is that he wants to be with his people in Israel at this difficult time. He does not want to look idly on as T-62 tanks roll off the assembly-lines of the Malyshev works in Kharkov for despatch to the Middle East. He wants to defend his country, weapon in hand.

He cherishes the cultural heritage of the Jewish people, knows their history. His friend Yuli Brind has already been in jail for two years only because, during a search of his home, they found a tape-recorder cassette, with a recording of a "Voice of Israel" programme. Many a time, speaking with Uri, I realized how fruitless are all the attempts to assimilate the Russian Jews. He and his friends are living proof of that.

Yuri has done everything he could. He raised his voice in protest where fear kept others silent. He sent us letters calling for help. Now it is up to us. Let us remember that he can expect help from no other quarter.

Translator: *Don Danneman*

(The author is a new immigrant from the Soviet Union.)

Geoffrey Wigoder's JEWISH SCENE

Women's lib demands more from Judaism

IT was inevitable that the women's lib. movement should have its repercussions in a Jewish context. Not only does Jewish communal life reflect the male domination of Western society as a whole but Jewish religious life has perpetuated ancient prejudices. It is all very well, and true, to point out the beautiful role of the Jewish wife and mother, but the fact that woman's evidence is invalid, that a wife may not divorce a husband, or that women in the synagogue must be unseen and unheard, not only rankles — but, in this day and age, is even offensive.

In the religious context, Reform Judaism pioneered in the equality of the sexes. The Conservative movement followed rather falteringly. Now Orthodox women are coming up with demands, albeit within the framework of *halacha*, which leaves them little room for manoeuvre. In the sphere of communal activities, there is a growing demand from women that their equality be recognised in fact and not merely through lip-service.

A distinguished Orthodox rabbi, Irving Greenberg, and his wife Blu have surveyed some of the problems in an article in the "Hadassah Magazine." They note first that the general women's liberation movement in America has a large proportion of Jewish women in its ranks and leadership. Until now, most of these feminists have been involved only peripherally, if at all, with Jewish concerns. Until recently the Jewish woman tended to accept the roles traditionally assigned to her. In Jewish organizations (except, of course, the women's organizations), they tended to be the corresponding secretaries and coffee-servers rather than the decision-makers. In the synagogues, including the Reform and Conservative, they were not the leaders or the rabbis or the functionaries — despite the Reform declaration made as long ago as 1846 that "we declare the female sex as religiously equal with the male in its obligations and rights."

But suddenly the passivity is gone. An increasing number of women are struggling for change. The writers state that to face the issue honestly, it must be admitted that Jewish women do suffer serious disabilities, of which the most glaring is in the area of divorce. The wife-and-mother role for women which has characterised Judaism, however beneficent and well-intentioned, does not do justice to women today who have many decades of active creativity ahead of them after their children have started school or to those who are creative before they marry or to those who remain single. Nor are Jewish attitudes tailored for an age of universal education.

"If men can, so can we," say young religious American Jewish women. One of them is shown praying, wearing a tallis and tefillin, at a recent National Conference of American Jewish Men and Women in New York City. (Gail Rubin)

In response to the greater saliency of the subject, Reform Judaism has ordained its first woman rabbi. The Reconstructionist movement, which has given women fuller recognition in the synagogues since the early 1950s, has several women rabbinical students, is training women cantors and has chosen women presidents of congregations. The Conservative movement recently decided that women worshippers may be counted in a *minyan* (the word "may" is significant; the actual decision is left to the congregation).

The authors are concerned with progress within their own sphere — Orthodox Judaism. They recommend that attention be given to *halachic* creativity to set the groundwork for full participation of women. There are areas, they say, where women have obligations according to Orthodox tradition — and only custom stands in the way. They cite making *kiddush* and learning Tora as examples. They feel that an authentic Jewish women's movement should fight for redistribution of power and education in the community and for options for women to work at home or in their careers.

The picture in the community is described by Professor Daniel J. Elazar in "Congress Bi-Weekly" (published by the American Jewish Congress). He too notes that, with some exceptions, women function in environments segregated from male decision-makers. Exceptions sometimes can be found among top leaders of women's groups in an ex-officio capacity and certain very wealthy women. This is not to say that women's role in American Jewish life is insignificant — the contrary is true. The women's organizations (led by Hadassah) play a significant, if subordinate, role in the constellation of Jewish communal institutions.

Women have been given custody of much of the direct social welfare and popular cultural activity of the community (paralleling developments in the general community where these are regarded as women's responsibilities). However, the rising costs of social welfare activities have made their role more peripheral as they cannot raise the kind of money now required in the central drives.

Elazar writes that it is in the popular culture realm that women are dominant. They choose the books for discussion, book the lecturers and determine much of the adult education programmes. This is probably their most important role today. This is because culture is defined as a leisure-time activity in American society and hence is handled by women.

However, Elazar sees women as moving into other activities. They are now more visible in synagogue leadership, especially in the smaller communities where the pool of leadership talent is limited. But he feels that the increase in opportunities for women in the synagogue could reduce the presence of men in synagogue activities which would be seen as "women's work" (meaning "less important"). There are communities where the voluntary leadership and lower echelon professions are predominantly women, with only the rabbis and top federation executives being men. According to Elazar, these are among the weakest communities in the U.S. "Jewish life in them has become so much a leisure-time activity that commitment to Jewishness is as casual as befits a 'hobby'." But he too notes that there are many signs that women will no longer be content with the restrictions hitherto placed on them and this will lead to radical changes in communal life.

The Conservative decision to admit women to the *minyan* has evoked a series of articles in the lively little magazine "Sh'ma," edited by Rabbi Eugene Borowitz. One woman contributor derides the spectacle of 20 males sitting and deciding the destiny of Jewish women in the life of the community. "The whole procedure seemed so blatantly patronising, so insensitive to the dignity of women, whose essential humanity was being weighed and luckily found adequate by the majority, that I as a Jew was embarrassed."

Handicap didn't stop Eli Meizens from having courage and faith

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

THOUGH he suffers from progressive muscle deterioration — a condition which confines him to a wheelchair and severely limits his physical functioning — Eli Meizens demanded the right to serve in the army. He did not win the fight, but the resulting publicity led to the writing of Eli's biography.

The publication of the book, "Eli Meizens — His Life Story" by Tehila Offer (a journalist on the staff of "Maariv") — was the occasion for a cocktail party held at Wizo headquarters in Tel Aviv last week attended by the author, Eli and his wife, their friends and colleagues, Wizo members and public figures.

Information Minister Simon Peres, who could not attend the party because of the negotiations in Jerusalem, sent a letter of praise and congratulations and described the book as "an opportunity to see the human soul without reference to the body which carries it."

Professor Padeh, Director-General of the Ministry of Health, also could not attend, and in his letter he wrote that he hoped the book would result in greater efforts toward rehabilitation of the handicapped.

"Rehabilitation is like justice," Dr. Emanuel Higer, secretary of the Israel Rehabilitation Association, said in the same vein. "It must not only be done — but it must manifestly be seen to be done. If more would be written on the subject, it would not only encourage the handicapped and their families but would also bring the general public closer to the problems and challenges of rehabilitation. That is the only way to help integrate the handicapped more fully into society."

Many well-intentioned friends advised Tehila Offer not to write the book because "nobody likes to read about troubles." This, however, was just what made her feel the book was important: the public should face and understand the problems, not run away from them. "If I had misgivings, they were in another direction entirely. Was I 'capitalizing' on a handicapped person's difficulties and successes? But I decided Eli's story must be told. His example of courage, faith and success must be publicized to the handicapped and non-handicapped alike."

Shortly before the book was published, a fellow worker asked her when the book would be available. It turned out that his own child has the same disease as Eli, and the parents were waiting eagerly to read the story of a young man who had participated fully in Scouts, gone to the university (he has a B.A. and "half an MA" in political science) and recently married a non-handicapped, pretty and dedicated wife. "That was my reward for writing the book. I'm sharing the royalties equally with Eli, and my share of the royalties from the first edition is going toward the rehabilitation of this colleague's child."

Speaking on behalf of Wizo, Miriam Ben-Porat — A member of the World Wizo Executive — spoke of Eli's mother, as she appears in the book. "I don't know how much education this woman had, but she certainly had a great deal of wisdom, common sense and understanding. She not only understood her son but she also grasped the psychology of those around her and was able to help them accept Eli. Most important of all, she gave Eli a sense of self-confidence which has enabled him to succeed."

"One of my life's aims is to break down the barriers between the handicapped and non-handicapped," Eli said. "And this evening, like the book, is a step in that direction."

He paid a special tribute to Ruth Dayan, who rushed into the room just as he finished speaking. "There are many people to whom I owe thanks for helping me get where I have. Since I can't mention all of them, I hadn't intended to mention any by name. But I can't resist thanking Mrs. Dayan who has done so much for me. I won't go into detail, but believe me, what she has done is worthy of more than applause."

Mrs. Dayan explained that her car had broken down on the way, but that she nevertheless decided she had to come somehow. "Just being with Eli and Tsipi (his wife) is a very special thrill and inspiration."

Mr. Bustan, the publisher, ended the evening by announcing that the second edition of the book has already gone to press.

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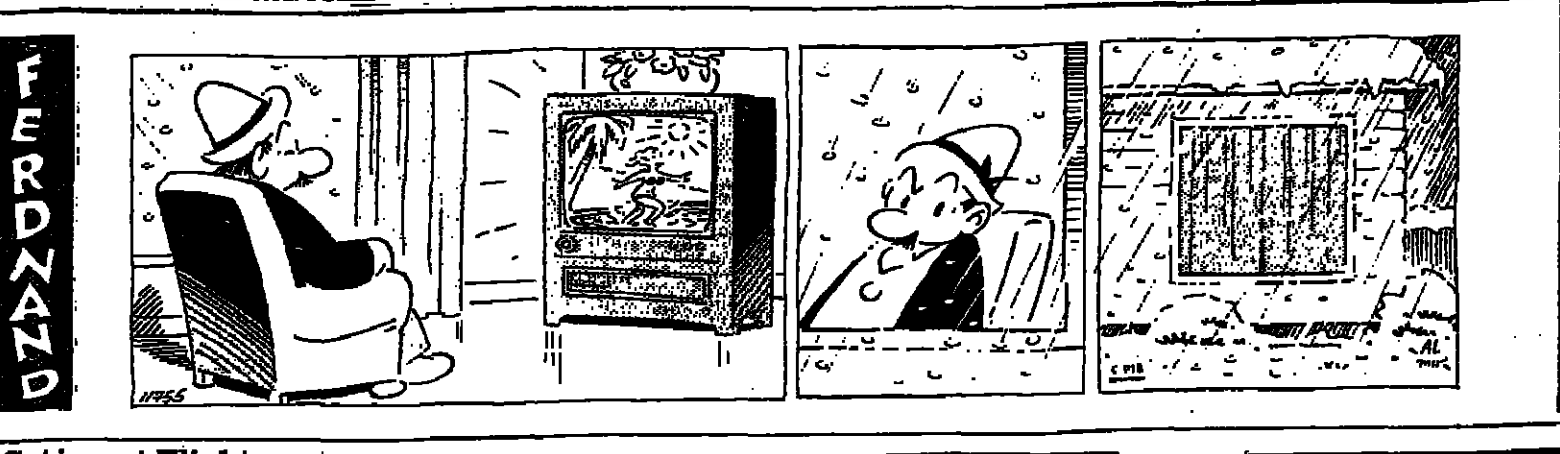

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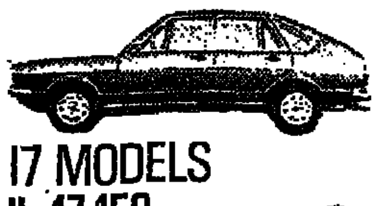

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OWNER MAY CONVERT APARTMENT TO STORE

The Jerusalem Post LAW REPORT

Edited by Doris Lankin

In the Supreme Court

Before the Deputy President (Justice Sussman), Justices Witkon, Cohn, Many and Kahn.

Ya'acov Shama, Applicant, v. Nechama Sadowsky & Others, Respondents (F.H. 20/73)

SUNDAY, MAY 12, 1974

Change in use of apartment not contrary to Model Rules

The Supreme Court, in a further hearing, decided, by majority decision, to reverse a previous decision of the Supreme Court, handed down on June 12, 1973 (In C.A. 666/72).

The applicant, Mr. Ya'acov Shama, and the respondents own apartments in a cooperative house. The previous owner of Mr. Shama's apartment had used one room in it as a grocery shop, to the dissatisfaction of the remaining owners of apartments who, however, failed to give any concrete expression to their dissatisfaction.

After Mr. Shama had bought the apartment, he succeeded in getting the necessary permits to use the whole of it as a grocery shop, after effecting certain structural changes both within and without the apartment. At this stage the other owners of apartments decided to take legal measures, and they brought Mr. Shama before the Land Registration Inspector, alleging that he had infringed section 2 of the Model Rules for Cooperative houses, contained in the schedule to the Land Law, which rules are applicable to their cooperative house, since they failed to register any other rules.

Section 2 of the Model Rules provides that: the owner of a dwelling shall not make any alterations or repairs in his dwelling prejudicially affecting, or endangering, or likely to endanger the existence of or altering or likely to alter the value of, the common property, or of another dwelling, unless he has first obtained the consent of the general meeting of the owners of dwellings or of the owner of the other dwelling, as the case may be.

The Land Registration Inspector held that Mr. Shama should restore the building to its original form, and should also restore his apartment to a dwelling and refrain from using it as a shop of any kind. The District Court, to whom Mr. Shama appealed, quashed the prohibition against carrying on a business in the apartment, holding that this was *ultra vires* section 2 of the Model Rules. The Supreme Court, on the other hand, to whom the other owners of apartments appealed, decided, by majority decision of Justices Witkon and Cohn, Justice Many dissenting, to restore the Inspector's ruling and order Mr. Shama to reconvert his apartment into a dwelling.

The President of the Supreme Court allowed a further hearing before five justices.

Mr. Caspi appeared for Mr. Shama and Mr. Bartler for the remaining apartment owners.

Judgment

Justice Sussman, who delivered the majority opinion of the Supreme Court, Justices Many and Kahn concurring, pointed out, at the outset, that the legislature's partiality for creating special tribunals with limited powers to deal with specific subjects very often lays the groundwork for barren disputes over jurisdiction and precludes dealing with the real issues involved. This has happened, he continued, in the case of dispute amongst owners of apartments in cooperative houses. For section 72 of the Land Law refers disputes over the rights and duties of owners of apartments, as laid down in the rules, or in connection with maintenance expenses, to the Land Registration Inspector, but makes no mention of disputes involving nuisance, or other civil wrongs, other than trespass (where the courts and the Inspector are given concurrent jurisdiction). The result is, he continued, that the Inspectors cannot consider questions of nuisance, and this prevents an exhaustive consideration of an issue as a whole and the possibility of putting an end to a dispute once and for all. In the present case, therefore, he held, the way is still open to the respondents to bring a fresh action for nuisance against the applicant, in the event that the District Court's decision be confirmed in the further hearing.

Justice Sussman then went on to hold that he agreed with the District Court that the conduct of a business in the applicant's apartment did not come within the scope of section 2 of the Model Rules, as long it did not entail any structural changes affecting the common property or another dwelling. In reaching this conclusion, he continued, he did not wish to imply that only a structural change made by one apartment owner could prejudicially affect the common property or another dwelling. For, on the contrary, he agreed that a change in use of the apartment could also do so. But this was not the question at issue in the present case. The question here is whether the applicant, by turning his apartment into a shop had made "alterations or repairs in his dwelling" (as distinct from alterations and repairs outside his dwelling) which were likely to prejudice the other apartment owners' property within the meaning of section 2 of the Model Rules; and in his opinion any change in the use of the apartment did not come within the meaning of such alterations or repairs.

In explaining this conclusion Justice Sussman held that once the legislature had permitted the creation of separate proprietorial rights to specific parts of a building (as in the case of cooperative houses) then the need for regulating the relationship between the partners in the building arose, and it was for this purpose that the House rules were required. But whereas there are mutual duties and rights with respect to the common property of the partnership, the individual apartments in a cooperative house belong exclusively to each owner who is entitled to do as he pleases with it, as long as he does not prejudicially affect the common property or his neighbours' dwellings. Furthermore, he is also subject to the general rules laid down by law, so that, for example, he may not cause any nuisance to his neighbours without subjecting himself to the risk of being sued in tort, and nor may he make any unlawful construction. However, there is nothing in the Model Rules which limits the use to which an apartment owner may put his apartment, although of course there is nothing to prevent owners of apartments in cooperative houses from making their own rules in this connection — which, however, the respondents in the present case had failed to do.

He thought, therefore, concluded Justice Sussman, that the Supreme Court's decision in C.A. 666/72 should be changed and the District Court decision confirmed.

Justice Witkon

Justice Witkon, holding that he placed special emphasis on the cooperative aspect of cooperative houses, concluded that he had not been persuaded by Justice Sussman's judgment to change his mind about the interpretation he had given to section 2 of the Model Rules in C.A. 666/72.

Justice Cohn

Justice Cohn held that neither the excellent pleading of the applicant's counsel nor the words of wisdom of Justice Sussman had persuaded him that it was permissible to give the term "changes" in section 2 of the Model Rules a narrow interpretation, as meaning only changes in construction, as opposed to changes in use.

Justice Cohn concluded that the Inspector had found the change in use effected by the applicant had in fact caused a deterioration in the value of the other apartments, the applicant had not been entitled to make it without the consent of the owners of these other apartments, and the decision in C.A. 666/72 should be upheld.

Decision in C.A. 666/72 reversed by majority decision.

Judgment given on March 10, 1974.

Housing Minister's building programme will send inflation spiral climbing

By Moshe Ater

Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

Discussing economic policies is a thankless job nowadays. There is hardly anbody to pay attention, for both the administration and the public are preoccupied with other, allegedly more urgent issues. And there is also the question as to whether anything can be done about our economic position while we are so hard pressed by external factors that we cannot control.

At a closer look, however, it is possible that neither argument holds water. Political decisions depend not only on diplomacy, but also on economic strength and stamina. And much can be done to stop economic deterioration even under conditions of war emergency and in spite of soaring commodity prices. Still, there is no doubt that it would require a very great effort to achieve, for example, even a small reduction in our foreign trade deficit.

Materials available

But what about matters which do not depend upon foes and foreign factors? It would seem that they offer a welcome possibility of mending our ways, at least on a limited scale, and thus to pave the way for major improvement later on. However, it turns out that few are interested in this. The prevailing feeling is rather that we should enjoy the freedom we have in these fields without caring much about the rest. A case in point is residential construction.

There is no need to enlarge upon the social importance of housing, and upon the adverse effects of slums. Fortunately, we have most building materials and accessories produced in this country. We can therefore build as many flats as we want. Provided, of course, we find them that important.

Moreover, construction is a costly and labour intensive investment. By boosting it, we can expand local employment, earnings, and marketing prospects, and thus provide a fillip to general economic activity. As a matter of fact, residential construction has even been a favoured instrument of fighting slumps and touching off booms. On the other hand, wherever a labour shortage develops, or business activity outrums available resources, cuts in residential construction are easiest to carry out and least painful. Oldtimers remember that when World War Two broke out, construction was banned in this country, and even after it ended, permits were given out only at a very limited scale, so that next to no new houses were built for over 10 years notwithstanding natural population increase and immigration which brought with them very crammed housing conditions. One major reason for the 1966 slowdown was the government's failure to check in due time a building boom which exceeded the people's purchasing power and ended with a surfeit of empty dwellings. How then do we behave in this respect under the current circumstances?

Just a year ago, Mr. Sapir summoned building contractors to warn them about the dangers of overexpansion. At that time we had under construction over 80,000 housing units, which he considered too much. In spite of keen demand, he urged the contractors to reduce the amount of new starts. Decisions to that end were indeed adopted, and local authorities were directed to carry them on the basis that the number of flats completed in 1972, was double the 1967-1969 average. (Actually little was done.)

Mr. Sapir's action was taken long before the war. We then had something of a labour shortage, but nothing to be compared with the present situation. We also had a cement black market, but only as a result of administrative blunders, for foreign currency to import more cement we had galore. Immigration was then increasing, and authorities were planning import of prefabricated or mobile houses to accommodate it. Jews abroad were acquiring "second home" flats in this country and paying for them in hard currency. Nevertheless, Mr. Sapir felt enough is enough — probably with an eye to an impending change in the economic climate after the elections, when a new government would brake deficit spending, and people would react to shortage in purchasing power first and foremost by reducing demand for housing.

Building boom

As a matter of fact, when the war intervened and a spate of taxes and compulsory loans were imposed to curb private consumption, residential construction seemed to be due for a decline. The National Budget, published last March, forecast a sharp drop in building starts, and housing investment was expected to run 25 per cent below the pre-war level this year. However, the wind changed rapidly. By now flats are selling like hot cakes. Building contractors are occupied to the hilt, and new housing projects are launched on a big scale. Though their execution is partly inhibited by labour and cement shortages, frantic efforts are made to offset these difficulties by application of modern construction techniques, and the trend of this development is unmistakably upward. According to Mr. Rabinovich, the new Housing Minister, Israel must built 250,000 flats in the next four years, as compared to 200,000 built in the past four years, and 100,000 built in the four years before that.

In order to evaluate the significance of this programme, one has to keep in mind that the rate of growth of our economy will doubtlessly be reduced in the period concerned. In the past our GNP was increasing an average of 10 per cent annually. In the foreseeable future we may be fortunate enough to achieve half that much. Also a much bigger slice of the national cake will — willy nilly — be allocated to defence.

One may wonder whether the resources left for consumption and investment per capita will increase at all. The forecast expansion of housing activity therefore would have to come at the expense of either uses. Since personal consumption is not expected to drop perceptibly — and such a drop could hardly be reconciled with improving housing facilities — the programme outlined by Mr. Rabinovitch evidently spells a cut in other — i.e. in productive—investments. As a matter of fact, this would no more than continue pre-war development.

In the late 'sixties housing accounted for about one-third of our aggregate investment in local fixed assets. In recent years its share increased to almost 40 per cent, while the investment total declined in real terms. Now we are obviously going to allocate more — say, one-half — of our investment to housing, while reducing our spending on industrial, farm, transport, or power projects, i.e. on projects most important to economic viability. A greater folly can hardly be imagined.

The issue can also be considered from another angle. Residential construction expanded in recent years, not because houses have become more advantageous in cost and price terms. Quite to the contrary. Building costs and land prices advanced more than the general price level. In the past year the C-o-L rose 20 per cent, while the cost of residential construction—apart from land — soared 40 per cent. The monetary impact of the housing boom was therefore bigger than its growth in physical terms. The heavy investment in bricks and mortar would not have taken place had not the above development been offset by other factors, namely by government subsidies (in particular, cheap mortgage loans), by the growth in people's dispensable income much beyond the amounts required for other consumption, and by the resulting pressure of excess purchasing power. The housing boom was the inevitable product of the massive inflation we have maintained, while it also contributed to it, by absorbing labour and material resources which could have been used for other purposes, bearing fruit at a shorter notice. The intention to expand residential construction undeterred by the shortage of resources must also be seen against this background.

Subsidies or income

Housing projects will have to be boosted notwithstanding the costs involved, even though this includes bidding for scarce labour, transport, materials and foreign currency resources against other uses. Housing projects will therefore have to be heavily subsidized in order to bring them within the scope of people's purchasing power. Alternatively people's incomes will have to go up on a scale sufficient to let them accord high priority to better housing (as compared to, say, food or clothing or recreation) and to allocate a bigger share of their spending to housing costs.

To put it briefly: we are going to behave as a rich people, who can afford to spend on non-essentials. If we shall be short of money to finance such behaviour, we shall just have to print more. We shall thus provide not only better housing, but also brimfull employment and good profits for everybody. One may encounter difficulties in expanding exports and competing abroad, but not in building houses at home. There may be an end to what people are ready to spend on, say, food or smoking, but as regards mansions the sky is the limit. And so also for inflation.

This is the first of two articles on housing.

WEEK ON WALL STREET

FLUCTUATING PRICES

NEW YORK (AP). — In a week of wild ups and downs prices on the New York Stock Exchange finished a bit higher in the Dow Jones industrial average last week, but that was slight comfort for other slippages.

Investors continued worrying about inflation, high domestic lending rates and the domestic political situation.

While the Dow industrial average rose 4.54 points for the week to close at 850.14, the number of stocks that declined outnumbered those advancing by 1,091 to 641. And the big board's composite of 1,500 common stocks fell 5.57 points to 42.89. Trading volume was a light 62 million shares.

"It's the same old story," one analyst said.

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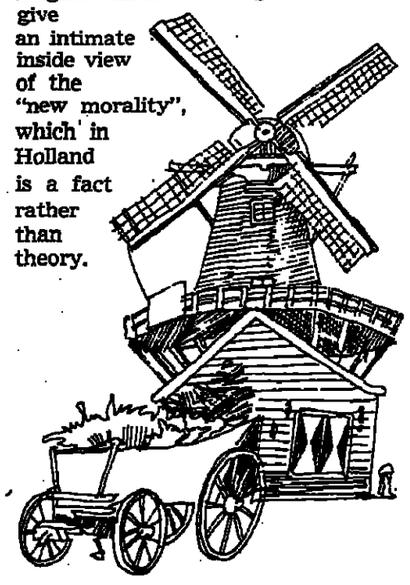
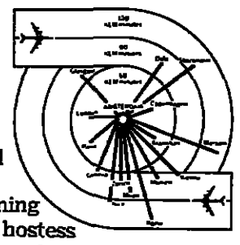
But besides the tulips and the windmills, the canals and the castles, there are the unique nights of fun in Amsterdam and The Hague. Escorted night tours give an intimate inside view of the "new morality", which in Holland is a fact rather than theory.



Looking at the map, I realised how central Amsterdam is for European travel.



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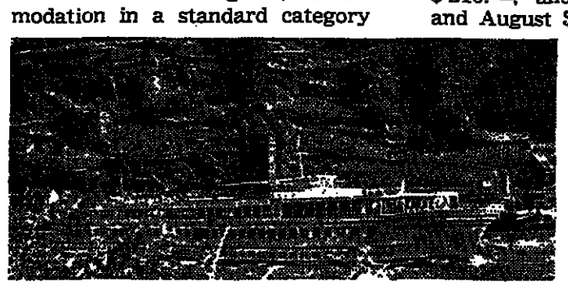

Seeing **Europe by Rail** is also a possibility.
From any rail station in Holland there are fascinating trips to London (rail and boat) and to Paris. Hotel accommodation is in a room with bath and breakfast. Return to Holland is included as well. 4 days in London costs from $ 71.— per person, 3 days in Paris is from $ 52.— per person.

Friends of mine are **camping in Europe** this year. In Amsterdam they'll get a campercar equipped with a tent and all necessary equipment — enough for 5 adults, or 4 adults and 2 children. The unlimited mileage rate per week is $ 210.—, and during June, July and August $ 245.—.

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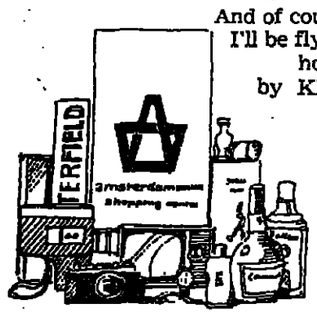

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A SMALL SUCCESS

WE have so few diplomatic successes at the present time on the international scene and seem to be reduced to so little influence that it was good to learn that we have at least been able to get Beate Klarsfeld released from prison in Germany until her case comes up next month. She was released on the personal guarantee of Mr. Benyamin Halevy, M.K., a former Supreme Court justice and one of the judges in the Eichmann trial, who has made this case his personal responsibility.

This leaves her free to go back to her husband and children in Paris in the meantime: her evident pleasure and relief to be breathing free air again — as seen in the television news item last night — could not fail to give one a small shock of pleasure. For once it has proved possible to help a faithful friend of Israel and upholder, to the best of her ability, of justice, not only for the innocent or righteous, but also for the convicted murderers still living freely in Germany.

Her aim is to promote an extradition treaty between France and Germany which will force the latter to turn over to France Nazi war criminals who were found guilty *in absentia* in France after the war, and have escaped justice ever since.

Another modest moment of relief came when it was reported last night that Dr. Kissinger tried to obtain relief for the hard-pressed Syrian Jews during his latest visit to Damascus. It appears also that it was not Dr. Kissinger himself who described this issue as an "internal Syrian problem" in the letter dispatched from his office to a Haifa resident, but a member of his staff, and that he had not seen the letter in question.

The fate of the Syrian Jews is now so precarious, and they are so close to us geographically, that it has become intolerable to have to take note of their sufferings without being able to help them. The recent accounts of murders of Jews, including a group of four girls who thought they had found guides to take them across the border to freedom, is doubly cruel, for it is intended to frighten off others who might be planning escape. Even the information is scanty, and it is not known yet whether the grisly reports of a mass grave containing the bodies of 70 murdered Jews is true or not.

It will help very little to bring up the issue at the UN, as Ambassador Yaacov Doron did on Friday, because most of the time the truth does not ring as loudly there as do fabrications and hate propaganda, and the representatives of the nations listen only to what suits their policies and political connections.

We cannot forget, as Dr. Kissinger shuttles around the Middle East, that the UN has counted itself out of all peace talks between Israel and the Arab states or negotiations for disengagement. It may be proper, as a matter of principle, to bring up the persecution of the Jews of Syria and Iraq at the UN, and the obstacles put in the way of Soviet Jews attempting to leave because no opening should remain unused. But we must ourselves become selective in our use of the UN by now, as do other UN members, and shrug off decisions on moves and withdrawals that do not correspond to reality. The nations find it easy enough to shrug off complaints of murder and persecution.

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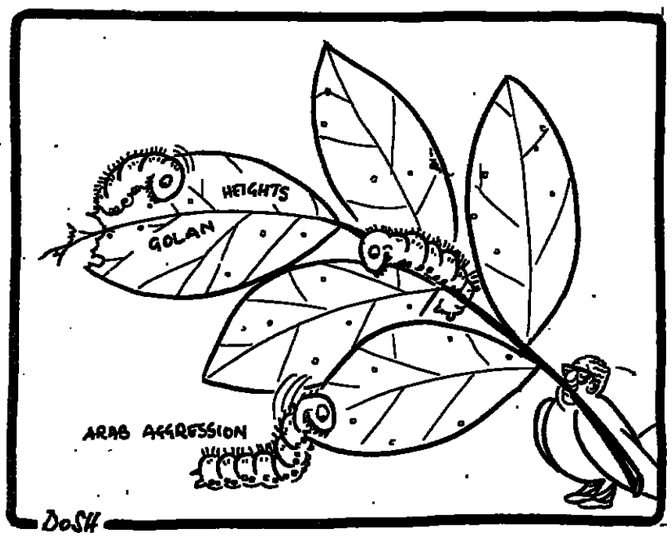

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Israeli flexibility manifest

Davar (Histadrut) stresses that "no one will ever be able to accuse Israel of lack of flexibility in the current negotiations with Syria. While the disengagement agreement proposed by the Government does not jeopardize our security, there is no denying that it contains certain clear strategic concessions." The paper makes clear that "when we adopt a stance which enables the U.S. to strengthen its positions in the Middle East, we also expect it to demonstrate increased understanding for Israel's security needs."

Al Hamishmar (Mapam) deplores the "hysteria originating in right-wing nationalistic circles concerning the 'sacredness of the purple line.'" The paper stresses that "any disengagement agreement must ensure (a) the perpetuation of our strategic advantages on the Golan Heights in the form in which they existed prior to the Yom Kippur War, and (b) that there will be a genuine separation of forces. However," argues the paper, "questions of such vital importance as whether our nation will move in the direction of peace or of endless fighting cannot be decided by street demonstrations or hunger strikes. Our Knesset is a sovereign body, freely elected by the people, and it alone has the political and moral authority to make decisions."

Omer (Histadrut) stresses that continued Jewish settlement of the land is a fact of no lesser importance than the current disengagement negotiations.

Hatzofe (National Religious) points out that the participation of the National Religious Party in a new government headed by Mr. Rabin "depends entirely on the attitude that the Labour Party will adopt. The NRP is unable to compromise on the basic issues, and the possibility of its becoming an opposition party should not be ground for concern, so long as the party remains internally united and strong."

Ha'aretz (non-party) argues that "the fact that various sub-factions of the Likud continue to maintain their organizational autonomy and their independent bodies does not weaken the public feeling that the Likud functions as a united body in the political arena." The paper expresses disapproval for "Mr. Sharon's call for a 'unification of the Likud,'" which it regards as "unnecessary. Attempts to gain personal supremacy will only bring about resistance, and will harm not only one sub-faction, but possibly the entire Likud," the paper concludes.

VIEWPOINT

Getting the Israeli record straight on past efforts for peace

By David Krivine

IN a new book just published, called "Confrontation," Walter Laqueur blames Israel for not having tried to make peace after the 1967 war. "Egypt and Jordan would have been willing to make a number of important concessions," he says.

If they were, Golda Meir knew nothing about it. Nor did the man who has been deputed to form a new Government, Yitzhak Rabin — though he enjoys the support of many who have been protesting against the old regime. Interviewed in "Yediot Aharonot" recently, Rabin said: "I do not believe that Israel had a genuine chance of pursuing a different policy in defence and foreign affairs, during the years preceding the Yom Kippur War."

It is commonplace to accuse Golda's "kitchen Cabinet" of having been aggressive, imperialistic, hawkish, or (to use a term devised by "Le Monde's" correspondent Eric Rouleau) "annexationist" during the heady period that followed the Six Day War.

Left-wing opinion needs a hate-object on the right against which to fling its curses. If no such object exists, then one has to be invented. Israel has been cast for this dramatic role, on the international scene.

Within Israel, the same ideological game is played. In this case, Dayan is the arch-villain. He is accused of making no compromise for peace. He had (allegedly) no intention to withdraw. He did not seek a meeting of minds based on any territorial compromise.

This is, of course, a distortion of the facts, as Rabin testifies — and not only he. Yaakov Hazan, of Mapam, is an honest man, and holds Marxist views. Being close to the centre of Israel's politics he knew what was going on — and recently cleared Golda's administration of the accusation that they did not do enough for peace. Even Henry Kissinger has made it known that he would like Dayan to remain in office — a statement that is not calculated to put up the Defence Minister's stock in Likud circles.

There is in fact a need to set the record straight. Dayan's opinions, in reality, are not very different from those held by most Israelis on this subject, including even far-out characters like Lova Eliav. They can be summed up as follows:

The only substantial difference between Eliav and Dayan is that Eliav would give the territories *back*. The word "back" calls into question Eliav's acceptance of the fact that the entire area of the original mandated territory of Palestine was to be the national home of the Jewish people. It indicates a sentimentalization of the Arabs' bid for territorial sovereignty in Palestine—an attitude that Dayan admittedly does not share. He expressed his own opinion clearly enough on many occasions. Speaking over the radio shortly after the Six Day War, he said (as I recall):

"To me a Jewish State is a State containing Jews. We should not appropriate areas like Nablus that have a dense Arab population. And I am not interested in statistical forecasts that, provided this and that is made to happen, then in 30 years time we shall still be a fraction of a per cent more numerous than the Arabs."

Three years ago Dayan proposed a unilateral Israeli withdrawal from the Suez Canal provided the Egyptians put on the east bank only civilians, technicians and police personnel, not armed troops. The Egyptians refused. Dayan was a sponsor and supporter of the "oral law" doctrine, adopted by the Labour Alignment, which proposed the retention only of Jerusalem, the Golan, Gaza, and Sharm e-Sheikh.

In his book "Eretz Ha'Tsvi," Eliav agrees with the need to retain "most of Golan," and Jerusalem. As to Gaza and Sharm, they were obviously added only for tactical reasons, and nothing else. Gaza is a diminutive wedge of territory overcrowded with Arabs. In territorial terms the thin strip to Sharm e-Sheikh would give Israel nothing at all. Were it not for the need to keep the enemy at arm's length, and to protect the Straits of Tiran, Israel would be better off without Gaza or Sharm.

What the "oral law" doctrine gives up is far greater, in terms of land surface, than what it retains (twenty times greater). The offer to withdraw from the post-1967 borders would have left Israel with an area smaller than Mandatory Palestine. To call that "annexationism" is to play with words.

But if Israel is to be labelled aggressive, facts must be shaped to give her the requisite posture. Rouleau writes in an article he recently published about events since the October war: "For the first time, the Labour Party now pronounces itself in favour of Resolution 242 of the Security Council."

The Labour Party and the Government of Israel have supported Resolution 242 continually, repetitively and monotonously since it was voted. Many commentators — Rouleau and Laqueur among them — appear only to see what they want to see.

READERS' LETTERS

Quality of life in Israel

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — As a person who has twice visited Israel since 1970 and who loves the country very much, I share Mrs. B.R. Metz's anxiety over the quality of life in Israel (April 11).

Regarding incentives for immigrants, why should Israel try and compete with the material standards of the Western world? Surely there are clear enough signs that the western democracies are heading for an economic breakdown due to a misguided reliance on economic growth which was to be our salvation. But, as we can all see, the short-sighted governments have "blown it," and whether they, and we, like it or not, the world is going to have to adjust to living in a self-sustainable world. This is a field where Israel could, provided it ceases to transform itself into another America and protects its own identity, become a model for the rest of the world to follow.

Quite simply, it is the country and its culture that matter, and not the G.N.P. and the consumer durables that go with it. So really Israel must change its values, ahead of the rest of the world, if it is to be able to improve the quality of life and live a life-style that makes as few demands on its indigenous resources, and those abroad, as is possible to live in a self-sustainable society.

The impression I had of Israel on my last visit was that few citizens really cared about their environment or, if they did, were too apathetic to do anything about it. This is not a unique aspect of Israel by any means but, unique or not, it must be changed.

PAUL WALDMANN

Cambridge, England, April 18.

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Sir, — On Friday, April 26, I took my children to Caesarea to look at the ruins and to walk along the beach.

Much to my horror, I found the sand along the area near the aqueduct covered with globs and globs of black tar. A maker of Hollywood monster movies couldn't have created anything more disgusting.

The next day we went to a public beach south of Haifa and found that it was much cleaner, but that there were still puddles of tar sneakily covered with sand.

Surely there must be something that can be done to save the beaches of Israel so that residents and tourists can enjoy their beauty.

Otherwise, I visualize with dismay a time when the shores of the Mediterranean will be covered with black tar and all of Israel will have to swim in chlorinated swimming pools.

RONA SOLBEHEG

Haifa, April 28.

The Falashas

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — It seems to me that our authorities, civil and religious, are embarking upon a most dangerous trend in denying to the Falashas the right to come to Israel and refusing to extend all possible help towards this goal. Who are even the most learned rabbis to determine that the Falashas are not Jews?

Anyone who has talked to the Falashas in their homes as I did in 1967 ("A Stranger among the Falashas," *The Jerusalem Post*, March 3, 1967) cannot ever doubt that these people whose eyes lit up at the mention of Israel, who proudly showed me their primitive synagogue, are just as much Jews, or possibly even more so, than the descendants of a long line of assimilationist Jews of Western origin, for whom their Jewishness in many cases was a burden which they would have shed if the Nazis had not evolved the doctrine of the Jewish grandmother. The Falashas, on the other hand, could convert if they wished, we are told they are offered many inducements for doing so, and yet they remain Jews and die for it. And is not a believing Jew, a devout Jew, more of a Jew than the one who albeit has all the rabbinical prerequisites for being considered as such, but who has no faith, no respect for Jewish tradition and whose children follow the same path?

BETYA MOSCOVITZ

Tel Aviv, April 28.

Baruch Jamili

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Baruch Jamili, who immortalized his name on the pumping station on the road to Jerusalem during the War of Liberation, acquired further immortality recently with Shlomo Arzi's song which won first place at this year's Song Festival.

When Baruch Jamili wrote his name in tar on the wall, the men of the Palmach existed in a very special atmosphere. As Baruch Jamili relates it, he asked one of his comrades to change the letters P.T. (Petah Tikva) in the inscription to P.N. (Hebrew for "here lies buried") should he be killed.

Fortunately, Baruch Jamili came home safe and sound from the war, and his act can now be considered from a different angle. In fact, what he did was simply to deface the wall of the pumping station — nothing more. Now it is possible and even imperative to ask him and others to stop this practice of defacing walls and beauty spots with all kinds of inscriptions.

Let us hope that Shlomo Arzi's new song will not encourage others to follow the example of Baruch Jamili and scatter their names and inscriptions all over Israel.

ORA HERZOG, President,
Council for a Beautiful Israel

Tel Aviv, May 1.

Nixon tapes on Watergate offend American morality

By Joseph Kraft

WASHINGTON. — THE storm raised by publication of the White House transcripts demonstrates a point much forgotten: the United States remains a deeply moral country.

It has been easy enough over the past few years not to equate America with the New Jerusalem. The swag has been piled as high as the Rockies, and the self-debauchery of getting and spending has gone on apace. Great power rivalry has bred a casual acceptance of the doctrine that might makes right. Frustration in race relations has fostered a tolerance for unfair and even brutal practice.

Deep cynicism became the badge of the young. Five-year-olds learned not to be taken in by TV commercials. In Washington, particularly, it was assumed that men would lie and cheat and steal to stay in power.

It is not surprising, accordingly, that the White House released the transcripts without giving any thought to the impact they would have on moral feeling. Nor that Dean Burch of the White House staff said that the transcripts reflected "life as it is... in politics and business and industry." Nor that the Rev. John McLaughlin of the White House staff would assert that criticism smacked of hypocrisy.

In fact, what looked like moral inertia in the country was only a refusal to accept idealistic nostrums for complicated economic, international and racial problems. Beneath that not unfounded caution, the Puritan conscience ran strong. The country was not blind to lies and cheating and browbeating and corruption, and nothing has showed it better than the character of the criticisms made by the President's supporters.

Thus, Hugh Scott, the Republican leader in the Senate, spoke of a "disgusting and immoral performance." John Anderson, the leader of the Republican Conference in the House, said the transcripts showed the President to be "totally lacking in moral sensitivity." And the "Chicago Tribune" found in the transcripts an "insensitivity to the standards of ethics and morality."

But if an absence of moral outrage would have been despicable, mere indignation does not lead very far. There is a vital difference, as the sagacious House Republican Leader John Rhodes has made plain, between low behaviour and evidence of impeachable actions. On the latter issue, the case is by no means buttoned up.

The transcripts themselves add hardly anything. They show that the President did seem to coach his subordinates in perjury; that he refused to grant immunity in order to prevent the truth from coming out; that he seemed to approve a report that money was paid to the Watergate defendants to keep quiet.

But all of that was implicit in the Ervin Committee hearings, and the indictments obtained by the Special Prosecutor. That so much is being made of the transcripts now suggests to me that the country and the Congress have not truly paid serious attention to the details of the Watergate case. I doubt, in fact, if half a dozen members of the Congress are familiar with the details.

The evidence is almost certainly there. The Special Prosecutor believes that a bribery payment was made on the strength of a decision taken by the President on March 21, 1973. The tapes which the Judiciary Committee has received from the Special Prosecutor apparently make that point, and the evidence of the tapes seems to be reinforced by witnesses.

It appears, moreover, that the Judiciary Committee counsel has more detailed and exact versions of the tapes than exist in either the White House or the office of the Special Prosecutor. It also seems that the Committee counsel has been doing a serious investigation on its own. And besides the obstruction of justice in the Watergate case, there remain possible bribery issues in connection with the ITT case, the milk producers case and the connection between Bebe Rebozo and Howard Hughes.

But as the Judiciary Committee begins its impeachment hearings, the basic fact is that the case has to be laid out. The Committee and its staff have repeatedly backed away from confrontation with the White House. By so doing they avoided traps in a truly impressive fashion.

Now they have to take the initiative. They have to present the evidence in an unmistakable way. Whether they can do it to the satisfaction of a Congress and a public which seem to have no capacity for absorbing large amounts of detailed information is unclear.

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